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STATE OF MAINE.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
February 8, 1871. }

On motion of Mr. BONNEY of Portland,

Ordered, That the Clerk be and hereby is directed to publish the Journal
of the House for distribution.

Read and passed.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

A true copy—

ATTEST: SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

STATE OF MAINE.

AUGUSTA,
WEDNESDAY, January 4, 1871. }

Pursuant to the Constitution and Laws of the State, the members of the House of Representatives elect, convened in the Representatives' Hall, and were called to order by the Clerk of the House for the year 1870.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. MARTIN of Augusta.

The certified roll of Representatives elect, furnished by the Secretary of State in compliance with the provisions of chapter 67 of the public laws of 1869, entitled "an act to regulate the organization of the Legislature," was called by the Clerk, and 141 members elect responded to the call and a quorum found to be present.

On motion of Mr. COUSENS of Kennebunkport, that gentleman was charged with a message to the governor, informing him that a quorum of the members elect of the House of Representatives had assembled in the Representatives' Hall, and requesting his attendance to administer to them the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

Mr. Cousens subsequently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him, and the Governor was pleased to say, that he would forthwith attend the Convention for the purpose desired.

Whereupon, the Governor attended by the Executive Council, came in, and administered to the members elect, and they subscribed, the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

The Governor and Council then retired.

On motion of Mr. ROBIE of Gorham,
Messrs. Robie of Gorham, Woodbury of Houlton, Thompson of

Dover, Jones of Norway, Cleaves of Portland, Reynolds of Lewiston, and Bartlett of Harmony, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Speaker of the House.

Having attended to that duty, Mr. ROBIE, from the Committee, reported :

Whole number of votes.....	187
Necessary to a choice.....	69
Edwin B. Smith has.....	109
Edmund Wilson.....	26
Frederick Robie.....	1
Cornelius Wilson.....	1

The report was read and accepted, and Hon. Edwin B. Smith declared duly elected Speaker of the House of Representatives for the current political year.

The SPEAKER was conducted to the Chair by Mr. WILSON of Thomaston, and addressed the House as follows :

Gentlemen of the House of Representatives :—With unaffected diffidence I assume the duties of the position to which your partiality has called me. That they may be discharged with any degree of satisfaction to you or me, or of any advantage to the State, is only possible through the aid and counsel of the older and more experienced legislators before me, (especially those who have preceded me here,) and the courtesy and forbearance of every member.

Having carefully considered the composition of the House, I feel that I can confidently rely upon this needed assistance and kindness.

To this desk I can only bring an earnest *desire* faithfully to perform the duties it exacts ; for heretofore my studies and labors in the law have been mainly devoted to the narrower field of applying it to individual cases, rather than adapting its general principles to legislation affecting the whole commonwealth and *all* its citizens. My practice has been in those Courts in which are tried causes between party and party, and not in this highest "General Court" which presides over the destinies of all.

One of the early masters of the subject, declares that the Parliamentary Law—the source of all human laws—ought to be sought and attained by all, but that it is ignored by most and known to few. Among the few who know it I have no claim to be counted ; but in the pursuit of its knowledge I shall be a willing if not an

apt scholar; ready to receive and grateful for instruction, from any quarter whence it can be obtained.

The fundamental principle underlying all our legislation, as I believe, was announced by that practical statesman who knew so well how to condense the wisdom of volumes into an apothegm; "*That Government is best which governs least.*" Though we come here solely as legislators, I trust our aim will be to see how *little* change, amendment or addition, the existing laws of the State can be made to answer the State's necessities. It is important not only to *have* good laws, but that they be universally known and *firmly established*. Therefore it is wise to acquiesce in that policy which the people have affirmed, even if we withhold the full assent of our judgment; and changes should be cautiously proposed or adopted even in those statutes which we deem susceptible of improvement.

This is the Fiftieth Legislature of Maine;—when its labors are concluded its records will complete the legislative history of the first half century of our existence as a State. The session of the first Legislature lasted but twenty-nine days; the second was seventy-four days; the third, thirty-eight days, and the fourth, forty-two days. These assemblies had all the legislation of the New State to create—to harmonize it with a Constitution but recently adopted amid the colliding views and theories of projectors and visionaries who found favorable opportunity to broach their schemes in the forming of a new State. They had also to adapt it to the necessities and wishes of a people, differing in very many particulars in their pursuits and interests from those of the State from which we were severed. It is true our inhabitants were then not half their present number; but the same laws are necessary to protect the lives, persons and property of one thousand men as one hundred million. Since 1820, though railroads, telegraphs and numerous changes in the modes of transacting business have called for some new species of legislation, there are few or no recent changes of the kind that need long occupy our attention. The whole legislation of the State has been carefully revised and condensed into one compact volume, now passing through the press. Therefore it would seem that a very short time would suffice for the passage of such few additional laws of a general character as the necessities of the State require; and no general law that is not imperatively demanded by the highest con-

siderations of justice and necessity ought to be passed, for every law is an abridgment of the liberty of the citizen, substituting so far as it is effective, *our* will for *his*.

The population of the State has changed so little during the last decade, and so little in its location, that a new apportionment can be easily made. Therefore everything would seem to indicate that our duties here may be quickly, and yet properly, performed. The people have a right to be *cheaply*, as well as *wisely* governed. It is *not* the mere expense of our daily sittings that is saved by an early adjournment; for it is the universal experience of all persons observant of legislative assemblies that appropriations—not such as are indispensable to the conduct of the government, nor for the attainment of those objects for which it is instituted, which would be rejected by a large majority on the 25th day of the session pass almost unchallenged on the 75th.

Gentlemen, I am of those who believe that a wise and judicious economy, equally removed from parsimony upon the one hand and extravagance upon the other, is among the highest virtues of a legislator; and I think the people of this State (in view of the necessarily heavy public burden, so cheerfully borne) *rightfully* expect of us economy in great things, economy in little things, economy in *all* things. Only as we fulfil this reasonable expectation shall we receive at the conclusion of our labors the plaudit, of "Well done, good and faithful servant!"

Gentlemen, I am ready to proceed with the business of the House.

On motion of Mr. BLISS of Washington,

Messrs. Bliss of Washington, Carleton of Whitefield, Consens of Kennebunkport, Harriman of Belfast, Bean of Denmark, Berry of Damariscotta, and Atwell of Orono, were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Clerk of the House.

Having attended to that duty, Mr. BLISS, from the Committee, reported :

Whole number of votes.....	134
Necessary to a choice.....	68
Sumner J. Chadbourne has.....	107
Frederick Lyford.....	27

The report was read and accepted, and Sumner J. Chadbourne declared duly elected Clerk of the House for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. DINGLEY of Auburn, the same Committee proceeded to receive, sort and count the votes for Assistant Clerk.

Mr. BLISS, from the Committee, reported :

Whole number of votes.....	130
Necessary to a choice.....	66
Z. A. Smith has.....	104
William H. Anthony.....	26

The report was read and accepted, and Z. A. Smith declared duly elected Assistant Clerk of the House for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. CARLETON of Whitefield, that gentleman was charged with a message to the Senate, informing that branch of the organization of the House of Representatives, by the election of Hon. Edwin B. Smith as Speaker, and Sumner J. Chadbourne as Clerk.

Mr. BURGESS of Portland, was charged with a message of the same import to the Governor.

On motion of Mr. WOODBURY of Houlton, that gentleman accompanied the Clerk and Assistant Clerk to the Governor, to take and subscribe the necessary oaths to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

Mr. Woodbury subsequently reported he had discharged the duty assigned him.

Thereupon the Clerk and Assistant Clerk appeared and entered upon the discharge of their duties.

Attest: S. J. CHADBOURNE,

Clerk of the House of 1870. •

A message was received from the Senate, through Mr. French of Franklin, announcing the organization of that branch by the election of Hon. Charles Buffum as President, and Samuel W. Lane, Esq., as Secretary.

Mr. JONES of Norway, announced the attendance of Mr. Stickney of Presque Isle, member elect, and conducted him to the Council Chamber, where he took and subscribed the oaths required to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Mr. Stickney subsequently appeared and took his seat in the House.

On motion of Mr. BONNEY of Portland,

Ordered, That J. B. Walker be Messenger, Daniel C. Lombard and Lyman B. Kimball be Assistant Messengers.

On motion of Mr. GANNETT of Bath,

Ordered, That the Rules of the last House be adopted as the Rules of the present House until otherwise ordered.

On motion of Mr. BURGESS of Portland,

Ordered, The Clerk of the House be directed to furnish each member and officer of the House with one copy of the Daily Kennebec Journal and Daily Eastern Argus, during the session.

On motion of Mr. HOPKINS of Bluehill,

Ordered, That the Clerk be directed to invite the clergymen of Augusta, Hallowell, Gardiner, and of the House, to officiate as chaplains, in rotation, during the present session.

On motion of Mr. DINGLEY of Auburn,

Ordered, That the House hold one session each secular day, commencing at 10 o'clock A. M., except Saturdays, when it shall meet at 9 o'clock A. M.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Parsonsfield,

Ordered, That the Clerk of the House cause to be prepared for the use of the members, a catalogue containing the names, alphabetically arranged, with the residence, post-office address, boarding-place, occupation, politics, number of seat, and a diagram of the House, and the usual number of copies be printed and distributed.

On motion of Mr. LAMB of Clinton,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be directed to deliver to the Clerk, for the use of the House, one copy of Worcester's Quarto Dictionary, one copy of Webster's Unabridged Dictionary, one copy of Lippincott's Pronouncing Gazetteer, one copy of the Holy Bible, and one copy of Cushing's Manual.

Papers from the Senate :

Communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting returns of votes for Governor, came from the Senate read, and was read in concurrence.

Ordered, That the returns of votes for Governor given in the several cities, towns and plantations in this State, for the current

political year, be referred to a Joint Select Committee of seven on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and Messrs. Minot of Kennebec, Nickels of Penobscot, Holland of Androscoggin, Bartlett of Hancock, Hobson of York, Hayford of Oxford, and Perley of Cumberland, appointed said Committee on its part.

The order was read and passed in concurrence, and Messrs. Stickney of Presque Isle, Knapp of East Livermore, Cobb of Windham, Perkins of Farmington, Snow of Winthrop, Whiting of Ellsworth, Wilson of Thomaston, Mahony of Newcastle, Knight of Sweden, Hutchins of Brewer, Thompson of Dover, Minot of Phippsburg, Taylor of Norridgewock, White of Winterport, Hobart of Dennysville, and Jenkins of Elliot, were joined on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. BLISS of Washington,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

THURSDAY, JANUARY 5, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Dr. Ricker of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Mr. PIKE of Calais, announced the attendance of Messrs. Wadsworth of Pembroke, and Anderson of Eastport.

Mr. BONNEY of Portland, announced the attendance of Mr. Keegan of Madawaska.

These members elect were conducted to the Council Chamber, where they took and subscribed the oaths required by the constitution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties, and they subsequently appeared and took their seats in the House.

The SPEAKER announced the Monitors of the House as follows :

First Division.....	Wyman of Newport.
Second "	Bonney of Portland.
Third "	Talbot of East Machias.
Fourth "	Wall of Hallowell.
Fifth "	Burgess of Portland.
Sixth "	Simonton of Rockland.
Seventh "	Bliss of Washington.
Eighth "	Bird of Rockland.

Papers from the Senate :

Communication from the commission to investigate matters in relation to credits allowed on the quotas of towns for men not put into the service, requesting further time in which to make a final report, came from the Senate and was read.

Resolve relating to the commission to investigate all matters in relation to credits allowed on the quotas of towns by the State and General Government, for men not actually put into the service, came from the Senate, read twice, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The resolve was read twice, rules being suspended, amendment "A" adopted, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

A message was received from the Senate, through its Secretary, S. W. Lane, Esq., proposing a Joint Convention in the Hall of the House, this day, at 11 o'clock, for the purpose of electing a Secretary of State, Attorney General, Adjutant General, Land Agent, and seven Executive Councillors, for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. TAYLOR of Norridgewock, the Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate, signifying the concurrence of the House in the proposition for a Convention.

The hour having arrived, the Senate came in, and a Convention was formed.

IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES of the Senate,

Messrs. Cleaves of Oxford, Hobson of York, Stickney of Presque Isle, Taber of Unity, Dingley of Auburn, Jones of Norway, Bragden of York, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Secretary of State.

Having attended to that duty, Mr. CLEAVES, from the Committee, reported :

Whole number of votes.....	170
Necessary for a choice.....	86
Franklin M. Drew has.....	134
Samuel R. Carter.....	36

The report was read and accepted, and Franklin M. Drew declared duly elected Secretary of State for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. LANE of the Senate,

Messrs. Lane of Cumberland, Fuller of Penobscot, Harriman of Belfast, Bonney of Portland, Hathaway of Skowhegan, Bird of Rockland, and Adams of Biddeford, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Attorney General.

Having attended to that duty, Mr. LANE, from the Committee, reported :

Whole number of votes.....	158
Necessary for a choice.....	80
Thomas B. Reed has.....	121
William L. Putnam.....	38
John M. Goodwin.....	3
Benjamin B. Reed.....	1

The report was read and accepted, and Thomas B. Reed declared duly elected Attorney General for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. ROLFE of the Senate,

Messrs. Rolfe of Washington, Foster of Kennebec, Patten of Bath, Robie of Gorham, Thompson of Dover, Wilson of Thomaston, and Hacker of Fort Fairfield, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Adjutant General.

Having attended to that duty, Mr. ROLFE, from the Committee, reported :

Whole number of votes.....	161
Necessary for a choice.....	81
Benjamin B. Murray, Jr., has.....	129
John W. Freese.....	31
F. M. Drew.....	1

The report was read and accepted, and Benjamin B. Murray, Jr., declared duly elected Adjutant General for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. DUDLEY of the Senate,

Messrs. Dudley of Aroostook, Smith of Lincoln, Woodbury of Houlton, Sewall of Oldtown, Hutchins of Brewer, Foster of Bethel, and Talbot of East Machias, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Land Agent.

Having attended to that duty, Mr. DUDLEY, from the Committee, reported :

Whole number of votes.....	165
Necessary for a choice.....	83
Parker P. Burleigh has.....	129
James Walker Moore	36

The report was read and accepted, and Parker P. Burleigh declared duly elected Land Agent for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. MINOT of the Senate,

Messrs. Minot of Kennebec, French of Somerset, Rawson of Bangor, Hopkins of Mt. Vernon, Goodwin of Berwick, Snowman of Penobscot, and Stewart of Belgrade, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for seven Executive Councillors.

Having attended to that duty, Mr. MINOT, from the Committee, reported :

Whole number of votes.....	167
Necessary for a choice.....	84
Uranus O. Brackett.....	131
William Deering.....	131
John R. Pulsifer.....	131
Hiram Knowlton.....	131
Ebenezer Choate, 2d	131
Silas C. Hatch.....	131
William Grindle, Jr.....	131
Trafton Hatch.....	36
Charles E. Morrill.....	36
H. H. Dickey	36
Albert Moore.....	36
Cyrus McKown.....	36
William S. Pierson.....	36
Erastus Redman.....	36

The report was read and accepted, and Uranus O. Brackett, William Deering, John R. Pulsifer, Hiram Knowlton, Ebenezer

Choate, 2d, Silas C. Hatch and William Grindle, Jr., were declared duly elected Executive Councillors for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. VOSE of the Senate,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Convention be directed to inform Franklin M. Drew of his election as Secretary of State, Thomas B. Reed of his election as attorney General, Benjamin B. Murray, Jr., of his election as Adjutant General, Parker P. Burleigh of his election as Land Agent, and Uranus O. Brackett, William Deering, John R. Pulsifer, Hiram Knowlton, Ebenezer Choate, Jr., Silas C. Hatch, William Grindle, Jr., of their election as Executive Councillors.

The purpose for which the Convention assembled having been accomplished, the Senate retired.

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER.

Report of the Joint Select Committee on Gubernatorial Votes, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and accepted in concurrence, and is as follows:

Whole number of votes returned.....	99,801
Necessary for a choice.....	49,901
Sidney Perham has.....	54,019
Charles W. Roberts.....	45,733
Joshua L. Chamberlain.....	22
Samuel F. Hersey.....	6
Charles P. Kimball.....	1
C. W. Roberts.....	1
George H. Smith.....	1
F. P. Haviland.....	1
Scattering.....	6

There were irregularities in the returns from several towns and plantations, but the Committee did not feel authorized to reject them, consequently they were counted.

There were no returns from the town of Harrison, in Cumberland county. The town of Franklin, Hancock county, made returns, but the number of votes which the candidates received was not given.

Sidney Perham having a majority of all the votes returned, is elected Governor for the current political year.

Ordered, That a Committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed to wait upon Hon. Sidney Perham and inform him that he has been duly elected Governor of the State of Maine for the current political year.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and Messrs. Vose of Waldo, Fuller of Penobscot, and Mayo of Piscataquis, appointed on its part.

The order was read and passed in concurrence, and Messrs. Johnson of Augusta, Sanborn of Kittery, Hammond of Paris, Reed of Waldoborough, Lord of Alfred, Martin of Rumford, and Carleton of Whitefield, were joined on the part of the House.

Mr. JOHNSON subsequently reported that the Committee had discharged the duty assigned them, and the Governor elect was pleased to say, that he accepted the office to which he had been elected, and would meet the Legislature at such time as it might indicate to take and subscribe the oaths of office necessary to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

A message was received from the Senate through Samuel W. Lane, Esq., proposing a Convention of the two branches of the Legislature this day at 12½ o'clock, in the Hall of the House of Representatives, for the purpose of administering to Hon. Sidney Perham, Governor elect, the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties, and receiving from him such communication as he may be pleased to make.

The Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate, signifying the concurrence of the House in the proposition for a Convention.

The hour having arrived, the Senate came in and a Convention was formed.

IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. FOSTER of Kennebec,

That Senator was charged with a message to Hon. Sidney Perham, Governor elect, informing him that both branches of the Legislature were in Convention assembled in the Representatives' Hall, and ready to administer to him the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties, and receive from him such communication as he may be pleased to make.

Mr. Foster subsequently reported that he had delivered the message with which he was charged, and the Governor elect was pleased to say he would forthwith attend upon the Convention.

Whereupon, Hon. Sidney Perham, Governor elect, attended by ex-Governor Chamberlain, the Executive Council and Heads of Departments, came in, and in presence of both branches of the Legislature in Convention assembled, before the President of the Senate, took and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Hon. Franklin M. Drew, Secretary of State, then made the following

PROCLAMATION.

The votes for Governor which have been returned to the office of Secretary of State, having been examined and counted by the Legislature, who have declared that a majority thereof were given to Sidney Perham, and that he is duly elected, and he having in the presence of the two branches of the Legislature in Convention assembled, taken and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to discharge the duties of that office, I therefore declare and make known to all persons in this State who are in the exercise of any public trust, as well as all good citizens thereof, that SIDNEY PERHAM is *Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the State of Maine*, and that due due obedience should be rendered to all lawful acts and commands as such.

God save the State of Maine!

The Governor then communicated to the Convention by address information upon the affairs and condition of the State, as follows:

Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Representatives:

In obedience to constitutional requirement and the people's summons, we have met to consider the condition and interests of the State, and to consecrate our best efforts to her service. It is fitting, that on the threshold of our duties, we acknowledge with devout and reverent hearts the merciful Providence that has vouchsafed to us, as a people, so many blessings, and humbly implore the guidance of Him whose wisdom is alone sufficient to direct, and without whose blessing our labors cannot be crowned with success.

CONDITION OF THE COUNTRY.

We have cause for congratulation in the general prosperity of the country.

We are at peace with all nations. The waste and devastation of the war are being rapidly repaired. The memories of those who fell in defence of the country are treasured in the grateful hearts of the loyal people. Their sacred dust is being watched over and protected by the assiduous care of the nation's deepest devotion. Their dependents, and those who were maimed or otherwise disabled, are receiving the pledges of the people's inexpressible gratitude.

The determination of our people to allow no repudiation, but to pay honestly every dollar of our honest debts, has been fully affirmed, resulting in the establishment of more confidence in our national securities, and the way for the exchange of outstanding bonds for others bearing a lower rate of interest. The average price of gold, as compared with currency for the year just closed, has been twenty per cent. lower than the previous year, and the tendency is still downward. This indicates that, without any financial embarrassment, we may soon touch solid bottom, financially, and be free from the evils of a depreciated and fluctuating currency. More honesty and efficiency in the collection of the revenues, and greater economy in the administration of national affairs, have enabled Congress within the last year to reduce the taxes collected from the people, eighty millions of dollars annually. We are assured that a further reduction will be made, and that soon the tax on spirits and tobacco, with the tariff on imported luxuries, and on such other articles as may be necessary to protect our own industries, will be sufficient to meet all our national obligations. Since March 1st, 1869, the public debt has been reduced at the rate of one hundred millions annually, diminishing our annual interest account, in twenty-two months, nearly twelve millions.

FINANCIAL.

The report of the State Treasurer will present a detailed statement of the condition of our finances.

Our receipts during the past year have been \$4,924,164.12; our expenditures, \$5,041,846.64. Our public debt is \$8,067,900.00. Of this debt \$840,000 becomes due the present year, \$567,000 of

which is payable in gold or its equivalent. To pay this we have the sinking fund of 1865, amounting to \$1,178,677.61. This will pay the debt becoming due, and leave a balance of the sinking fund in the treasury of about \$281,677.61. The sinking fund of 1868 amounts to \$92,048.55. The trust funds held by the State, including the sinking funds, amount to \$2,017,048.08; exclusive of sinking fund; \$746,316.92.

The people of the State expect and will require at our hands the most rigid economy in all our expenditures. Our taxes are necessarily heavy, but should be made as light as possible. No heavy burden should be added. I am not unmindful of the truth of the proverb that "There is, that scattereth and yet increaseth; and there is, that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty." Governments, like individuals, may, in the exercise of a wise forecast, make liberal advances, and thereby reap large gains, while withholding would tend to poverty. This is especially true in regard to such judicious expenditures as tend to educate and elevate the people, and increase the facilities for industrial and commercial prosperity. What I desire especially to urge is, that we should carefully scrutinize every channel through which the people's money goes, reform excesses or abuses in our expenses, stop all leaks in the treasury, if any such there are, see that every appropriation is wisely applied and secures the benefits intended, and that no useless expenditures are made. With your efforts in this direction, I pledge my earnest coöperation.

The reports of the State officers, including those of the officers of public institutions and of the Commissioners of various State interests, will be laid before you at the earliest practicable moment. I have only been able to examine a part of them. You are referred to these reports for statements of the condition and wants of the several offices and institutions included therein.

The law allows insurance companies the month of January within which to make their reports to the Insurance Commissioner. The report of that officer, therefore, cannot be made until late in the session.

The term of one of our United States senators will expire on the third day of March next. It will become your duty to elect his successor.

It will also become your duty to make an apportionment of the

State for Senators, and Members of the House of Representatives, and perhaps for Representatives to Congress.

MILITARY.

The organization of the ten companies of infantry authorized by law has been completed. These organizations will tend to keep alive, to some extent, the military spirit of the people, and, being largely made up of men who have seen active service in the field, they are believed to be sufficient to meet any ordinary emergency. These companies can readily be expanded into as many regiments in case of necessity.

The report of the Adjutant General will contain a statement of the expenditures for military purposes during the last year, and the military property in the possession of the State.

I call your attention especially to his suggestions in regard to the preservation of the flags that were carried by the Maine troops in the war, which are now exposed in the rotunda of the Capitol.

These flags should be carefully preserved as mementoes of the nation's great conflict, and as constant reminders of the terrible struggle which perpetuated our National Union.

STATE PENSIONS.

The Adjutant General's report will show the transactions of that office in regard to State Pensions.

You will only give practical expression to the wishes of your constituents by continuing such aid to our disabled soldiers and the widows and orphans of those who lost their lives in the service, as will, with the national pensions, and what they can do themselves, prevent their becoming paupers, or otherwise subjects of charity. The disbursements for this purpose have fallen off from \$106,000, in 1867, to about one-fourth of that sum in 1870.

The Adjutant General is of the opinion that the appropriation for this purpose may be reduced from \$40,000 to \$35,000.

EDUCATIONAL.

If there is one thing above another that commends our institutions to the approval of the civilized world, it is our common school system, by which the means of education are brought within the reach of all the people. Its creation was the crowning act of

the wise men who laid the foundations of the Republic. It is our surest guarantee of national prosperity and progress, and a pledge of the increasing grandeur of our republican form of government.

We are paying about three-fourths of a million dollars annually to support our common schools, which is about eight dollars per scholar, counting the average attendance. This sum is generously and willingly paid by the tax-payers of the State, who only demand, as they have a right to expect, that this large sum be honestly and wisely appropriated.

Our Normal Schools, Teachers' Institutes, efficient supervision, and other improved instrumentalities, cannot fail to produce good results.

We are already beginning to realize the benefits of our Normal Schools in the general efficiency of the teachers who have enjoyed the advantages of these institutions. Not that the graduates of the Normal Schools are always the best teachers, for no system of education or training can make a good teacher of unfit material. I only assert, what all experience proves, that, other things being equal, the teacher who has had special training for the duties of his profession, will be more likely to succeed than one who has had no such advantages.

Some of the measures recently adopted to promote the efficiency of our public schools may be regarded as experiments, to be continued or modified as the result of experience may dictate. The friends of these measures are confident that they will be of great practical benefit; others doubt it. Since they have been put in practice, it is best to allow the question of their utility to be settled by actual demonstration. No very serious consequences can result from giving them a fair trial. If, after such trial, they are not satisfactory, they will, of course, be repealed.

I commend this important interest with the report of the State Superintendent to your careful consideration.

AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

The advantages of combining intellectual training with physical exercise in some productive industry in institutions for the education of young men, have not, in my estimation, been fully appreciated. Such institutions are especially desirable for the large class of young men who propose to engage in industrial pursuits, and who cannot afford the time and expense necessary to complete

a course of study beyond what is required to prepare them for the intelligent performance of the practical business and duties of life. They need a knowledge and practice of what pertains to the living activities of the present, rather than the dead languages of the past.

The tuition being free, and the opportunity to pay part of the expense of board, are, to many of our most promising young men, important advantages. To meet this general want, the national legislature made the appropriation which enabled each State in the Union to establish a "College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts." Maine has, I believe, done wisely in accepting the grant, and pledging herself to conform to the terms prescribed.

In this institution the students are expected to apply in practice, to some extent at least, the principles taught in the books. The combination of actual practice with theoretical instruction, secures a more valuable knowledge of any science than the mere study of the theories, however thorough it may be.

Many young men, after devoting their time and means for several years to preparation for some chosen profession, prove, on actual trial, utterly unfit for such profession, and without business, lacking physical strength as well as disposition necessary for success in any business requiring manual labor, they become thoroughly discouraged, and less able to obtain a livelihood by their own exertions than their most illiterate neighbor, who has learned to use his hands in some remunerative employment. Educate such young men in a well managed industrial college, and the additional physical force and mental activity acquired would greatly improve their chances for professional success, and, failing in that, they have, in their ability to labor, a sure means of support and usefulness.

This College will, I trust, perform another important mission. The disposition to shun manual labor under the false impression that it is incompatible with respectability and good social position is becoming alarmingly prevalent, and requires correction. That labor, intelligently directed, is not inconsistent with the highest intellectual culture and the most honorable attainments, is one of the most important facts to be learned by young persons of both sexes. This College, if properly conducted, will do much towards the creation of a more desirable public sentiment on this subject. Young men educated here, and becoming familiar with agricultural

and mechanical employments, will be more likely to engage in such pursuits. This is a result greatly to be desired, when we remember that this field is suffering for more workers, while many of the professions are crowded almost to starvation.

In these suggestions, I would detract nothing from the acknowledged merits of our other colleges, or their invaluable services in the great educational work of the country. They will continue to receive; as they deserve, the confidence and patronage of the people.

I am confident that the establishment of the College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts is a step in the right direction. Certainly, as the work has been commenced and a large amount of money invested in it, and as the condition of the grant made by the General Government was the promise on our part to carry forward the work in good faith, it is our duty to give the institution our fostering care. The report of the Trustees will show the present condition and needs of the College.

ORPHANS' HOME.

About forty orphans of deceased soldiers and seamen are being cared for in the Home for Soldiers' Orphans in the city of Bath. Judging from what I saw in a brief visit recently made to this institution, its affairs are managed economically and well. The ladies connected with the Home are entitled to the gratitude of the people for their devotion to the children of our fallen heroes. The lives of those on whom these unfortunate children depended for support were given for us. The most we can do for them is but little compared with the debt we owe them.

TEMPERANCE AND PROHIBITION.

The evils resulting from the use of intoxicating drinks are so destructive to all the highest interests of the State, and so promotive of all that we most deplore, that neither the philanthropist nor the statesman can ignore the demand for their suppression. To grapple effectively with an evil so interwoven with the love of gain, the appetite, the prejudices, and the social habits of the people, and to which so many in high social standing are wedded, is, in some respects, an unwelcome duty, and requires courage and devotion which many good people shrink from exercising.

The work necessary to restrict this evil to the smallest possible limits, belongs primarily, and perhaps chiefly, to the domain of what is termed moral effort. Still experience shows, and all, or nearly all, the people of this State concede that in this, as well as in our efforts against all other vices and crimes, the aid of legislative enactments is indispensable. The only question is as to the kind of legislation best calculated to produce the desired result.

For centuries the traffic in intoxicating drinks has been the subject of restrictive legislation in every Christian nation—the laws being more or less stringent according to the public opinion of the times. Sometimes communities and governments have sought to protect themselves from the evils of the traffic by licensing only such persons as possessed moral character, which, in the opinion of the authorities, qualified them for the trade. Sometimes a large sum has been required as a license fee for the purpose of reducing the number of places where liquors were to be sold; thus discouraging their use by higher prices, and greater inconvenience in obtaining them. Sometimes relief and protection have been sought by the entire prohibition of the traffic, except for certain specified purposes. For more than forty years the attention of the people of this country has been given to the traffic and the long train of evils inseparably connected with it.

Many laws have been passed by all the States upon this subject, all intended to prevent or limit the sale. In many of these States the laws are very stringent against it. In two or three, a clause in their constitution forbids the licensing of the trade; and, in as many more, liquor sellers are held responsible for all damages to individuals and society resulting from it.

After years of discussion, Maine adopted the policy of prohibition in 1851, and with the exception of one or two years, it has been continued with remarkable unanimity.

This legislation is not intended to interfere improperly with the personal habits of individuals. It only seeks to prohibit a public trade, which in the opinion of a large portion of our people—perhaps all—is a public mischief. Nor does it attempt to dictate what we shall drink more than the laws against the sale of diseased, poisonous, or otherwise unhealthy articles of food, dictate what we shall eat. In both cases the laws are against the sale, not the drinking or eating. The laws of prohibition upon gambling houses, impure books and pictures, houses of ill-fame and tippling shops,

all rest upon the same principle, viz: that these trades are inconsistent with the public welfare, which it is not only the right but the duty of the government to provide against in all legitimate ways. There is, and can be, no difference of opinion amongst intelligent men as to the effect of the liquor traffic upon the prosperity of the State, and the happiness and welfare of the people. It is in direct hostility to all the interests of the country. No man can rightfully claim that a trade so injurious in its effect should be permitted to exist for his profit or accommodation. Every man is bound by his duty to society and the State to subordinate his personal preference and interests for the general good.

If the principles I have thus briefly stated are correct, it follows that it is the duty of the State to enact and enforce, and of all good citizens to obey and sustain, such laws as will most effectually prevent the traffic. It is not necessary to argue this question further before a body of intelligent, thinking men like this. If any have doubts on this subject, they would, I am confident, be removed by a careful comparison of the localities in this State where the law is enforced, with places having a similar population in States where prohibitory legislation does not exist.

The present law, where it is enforced, is, so far as I can judge, as effective in the suppression of the traffic as are our other criminal laws against the crimes they are intended to prevent. In a majority of counties the law appears to be well executed with very favorable results. Whether any further legislation in regard to the law or its execution is necessary or expedient, is for the Legislature to determine. I commend the whole subject to your careful consideration; reminding you and the people of the State that while recognizing the law as a necessary auxiliary in our efforts against intemperance, we should not neglect to use all the moral influence within our reach to create and maintain a correct public sentiment on this subject; for on this the existence and enforcement of the laws and the good we hope to see accomplished through these efforts depend.

POPULATION AND EMIGRATION.

The census just taken discloses some unwelcome facts which demand your serious consideration. The increase of our population during the last decade was very small, and compares unfavorably with that of preceding decades. This may be accounted for

in part, by our losses in the war, and the decrease in the average number of children in each family; but chiefly by the large emigration to other parts of the country. It has been estimated—with how much accuracy I do not know—that five thousand young men, and an equal number of young women, leave Maine annually to seek in other States more satisfactory fields of effort than they can find at home. These are generally the most energetic portion of our population, and their emigration constitutes a drain upon the productive capacity of the State we can ill afford. While the distinction to which many of the sons of Maine have attained in other States is exceedingly complimentary to “The men we raise,” it shows what we should gain by a policy that would give ample opportunity for the development and exercise of such talent at home. Have we the resources? and can we open avenues of sufficient business to retain this portion of our population in the State? are questions which deeply concern us. And on their successful solution our future largely depends. We certainly have resources, the development of which would require a large increase of population. Whether this development is to be made, depends largely on the policy the State shall adopt. The extension of our railroads, the cultivation of our unoccupied farming lands, and the occupation and utilization of our water-power, will do very much in the right direction.

NATURAL ADVANTAGES.

In a climate favorable to health and the development and exercise of the greatest physical and mental powers—in our soil, favorable to agricultural pursuits, some of it equal to any in the country—in our forests of wood and timber—in our extensive sea coast, and safe and capacious harbors, furnishing unlimited capacity for ship-building and commercial pursuits—in our ability to make the very rigor of our climate and the sterility of our coast contribute to our wealth by furnishing unlimited supply of ice and granite, unsurpassed in quality by any in the country; and in our water power, unrivalled in extent and adaptation to manufacturing operations, we have resources which, if properly developed, will furnish profitable employment for all the increase of our own population and large immigration for centuries to come. That the labor and capital necessary for such development would be advantageously employed there can be no doubt.

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AGRICULTURE.

The idea entertained by some that farming is not a paying business, and that farmers are obliged to work harder and for less compensation than persons engaged in other pursuits, is incorrect. It is true that fortunes are sometimes made more rapidly in other kinds of business. It is also true that they are oftener lost. There is no business among us that is so sure to furnish an abundance of all that is necessary to ensure real independence and happiness as farming. Nor is it necessary for farmers to go out of the State to find desirable localities for this business. Some western farmers do better than ours; others not so well. On the whole, it is probable that our Maine farmers make nearly, and perhaps quite as much money according to the amount invested, as they would in the west, and enjoy very much more of all the comforts and conveniences of life.

Between three and four hundred townships, equal to seven or eight millions of acres, comprising some of the best soil in the State, are still untouched by the hand of cultivation. Increased facilities for communication and transportation will soon make portions at least of these lands especially desirable for farming purposes, while the increase of manufactures and commerce will secure a ready home market for all farm products at fair prices. We are furnishing some good horses and other stock for the market. These sell at prices indicating that, with greater care and attention this branch of business may be pursued with advantage, and become a source of large income. There is no reason why the agricultural operations of this State may not be very largely and profitably increased.

WATER-POWER AND MANUFACTURES.

One of our greatest sources of prosperity lies in our immense water-power, a large amount of which is still unoccupied. The development of this waiting agency through the establishment of manufactures, will add largely to the success of all other branches of business. The facts recently laid before people through the Hydrographic survey, cannot fail to attract attention to our wonderful capacity for manufacturing pursuits. In this respect, Nature has dealt liberally with us, and given us advantages unrivalled by any State in the Union. Much of this unoccupied power is already

accessible by water and rail, and the extension of our railroad system will reach the balance as rapidly as it can be occupied.

We cannot afford to ignore the conditions of success. The achievement of our grand possibilities will not come unbidden. If we would win the crown we must run the race. The State that adopts a stand-still policy in this day of great enterprises, and rapid development, will, as she deserves, be out-stripped by her more enterprising neighbors.

It is a reason for congratulation, that these advantages are beginning to be appreciated by business men and capitalists, and that, encouraged by the liberality of our laws, a large amount of capital and labor has, within the last few years, been attracted to us, which has found profitable employment in a variety of manufacturing pursuits. Be it ours, by wise legislation and judicious use of the advantages at hand, to foster and encourage this important interest.

It is believed that the law authorizing towns to exempt, for a limited number of years, manufacturing property from taxation, and the special acts authorizing them to aid such enterprises by gift of money or loan of credit, have contributed to the benefit of the towns exercising such authority, and the State. I suggest that it would be well to authorize towns by general law, to encourage the establishment of manufactures by subscription or loan of credit. Under certain limitations, I see no reason why this authority may not safely be given. Any intelligent community may safely be trusted with what relates to its own interests. Instances often occur in which the aid of a few thousand dollars will secure the investment of capital, and the establishment of business that would attract population and capital, and increase the taxable property of the place so as to re-imburse, in a few years, many times over the amount originally given.

PROTECTION TO INDUSTRY.

In this connection I deem it not inappropriate to advert to the subject of protection to our industrial pursuits. I do not advocate what is termed a high tariff. The present tariff, except as it has been recently modified, was made to correspond with heavy internal taxation, and should now, as it undoubtedly will be, materially reduced.

"Revenue reform," in its practical sense, cannot be too strongly urged upon those who make and administer the laws. But the term, when used to express the views of some of its most demonstrative advocates, is somewhat vague and indefinite. It is made the watchword of men who entertain all shades of opinions on revenue questions, and especially of those who advocate absolute free trade. A revenue reform securing the strictest economy in all our expenditures, and providing for the removal of national taxation from the necessities of life, and the productive industry of the country, the reduction or entire removal of duties on such needful imported articles as do not come into injurious competition with our own productions, should receive our earnest support. It is delusive to suppose that the necessary expenses of the Government and the interest on the public debt can be paid, and a moderate reduction of the debt provided for without heavy taxation of some kind. A policy that will bring the products of European labor that may be had for fifteen to fifty cents per day into competition in our markets on equal terms with our own labor, should and will be repudiated by the American people. What we need is a policy that will secure, not less, but more pay to our own laborers.

The laboring man in this country occupies a position in society entirely different from the working men of Europe. They are the equals of their countrymen who are engaged in other pursuits. We cannot afford to allow their degradation through the influence of half paid labor.

We now consume too much of the products of foreign labor and too little of our own. A nation's wealth is in its laboring men and women, and labor enriches the nation and the individual in proportion to its productive value.

The country is the most prosperous financially that approximates the nearest to supplying its demands for home consumption, and exports the most of the products of its industries.

While, therefore, I would coöperate in every measure tending to reduce the expense of living and lighten the burdens of taxation, I earnestly hope no policy will be adopted that will degrade American labor or lessen its rewards.

RAILROADS.

The enterprise manifested by our people in the construction of railroads evinces a disposition to appropriate the advantages

which nature has placed within our reach, and inspires lively hope for the future of the State.

From the Railroad Commissioners' report it appears that 694½ miles of railroad are now in operation in the State, of which 78 have been built the past year, and that there are 186 miles under construction. The Commissioners recommend more stringent enactment for the prevention of accidents. It is gratifying to learn from the report of the Commissioners that the railroad companies in the State are generally raising the character of their respective roads to a higher level of durability and safety.

The claim of this State and Massachusetts against the General Government, which had been assigned for the benefit of the European and North American Railway, has been allowed, and secures the early completion of that road. This will open direct railroad communication with St. John, and by a road already built, with the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and at an early day by a line rapidly approaching completion, with Halifax. We shall then have a continuous line of railway extending the whole length of the continent and connecting the Atlantic and Pacific oceans. The great thoroughfare between Europe and the most of the American continent and the Pacific coast will then be through this State.

While this work has been going on in the East, an enterprise which originated in Portland has been rapidly pushing its way westward, and will soon secure more direct communication between that enterprising city and the great grain growing State of the West; and at no distant day by the Northern Pacific Railroad to the Pacific ocean on the coast of Oregon. These grand enterprises, and several other roads of much local importance that are being built, with the projection of others that are sure to be completed at an early day, are the best evidences of a determination to make our railroad system equal to the demand of the growing interest of the State. Let this spirit be encouraged and it will develop resources which would otherwise remain useless. The unoccupied farming lands in Aroostook county, with a soil equal if not superior to that of any other section of New England, are being settled very slowly. This is because immigration keeps pace with the iron rail, and will not in any considerable numbers settle far beyond. Build a railroad to this fertile region, and lands which cannot now be given away to settlers will be eagerly sought after at fair prices. And in a few years that country would contain a

population and a tax-paying capacity that, with the increased value of the products of the soil and forests would soon pay the cost of the road and become a source of wealth to the State. The importance of a system of railway communication that will make accessible the timber and farming lands and develop the other resources of this section of the State has long been felt by our wisest men, and frequently and forcibly discussed by my predecessors. The European and North American Railway so shortens the length of new road necessary to make the immense resources of this part of the State accessible, that we may well inquire whether some practical means may not be devised to accomplish a work so desirable. I am convinced that the best way to reduce the burden of the debt is to develop our resources, give the people better facilities to make money and increase the taxable property of the State.

I have deemed it my duty to call attention to this subject, and invoke the wisdom of the Legislature upon its consideration.

The men who have furnished the means to build railroads in Maine have relied upon the indirect advantages they in common with others would receive rather than any direct income from the investment. The interests of the masses of the people and the stockholders and managers of railroads are not necessarily antagonistic, and it would be a great misfortune to the State if a spirit of antagonism should spring up between them. We should avoid a railroad war in Maine if possible.

Railroads are essential promoters of individual prosperity and national progress; and are entitled to every facility not inconsistent with the public good. It would not be wise for the State to grant unlimited powers, or permit the consolidation of railroads or any other corporations to an extent that would, in any event, allow such consolidated interests to control the legislation of the State. For in such event, every other interest might be rendered subservient, and all guarantees useless.

A proper appreciation of, and a just regard for the rights of each and the interests of all, will, I trust, prevent any serious trouble in this regard.

IMMIGRATION.

The Report of the Commissioner of Immigration presents an interesting account of the work accomplished through his agency.

A colony of one hundred and two Swedish immigrants has been established on a township in Aroostook county, known as New Sweden. The Commissioner is confident that this has opened the way for a large immigration of this hardy and industrious race. These people evidently possess the characteristics necessary for pioneer work in this State, and they will be a valuable acquisition in the settlement of our unoccupied lands. Such of these immigrants as would prefer other pursuits, would find, in other parts of the State, desirable employment and good compensation. Such laborers, male and female, are greatly needed, especially as household servants, for whom there is great demand.

Many of these people are excellent mechanics, others excel as family servants. Their religion, education, general intelligence, and industrious habits, with our need of their services, will create a mutual friendship and sympathy between them and our people wherever in the State they may go. I therefore suggest that whatever plan you adopt to aid immigration in the future, it be not confined to immigrants who prefer agricultural pursuits, but that it include those who desire to engage in other employments in any part of the State. Other States are adding largely to their population and wealth by their immigration efforts. I see no reason why we may not do the same.

Trusting that you will deem it wise to continue this work in some economical way, I commend the recommendations of the Commissioner with these brief suggestions to your early consideration.

OUR SHIPPING INTERESTS.

I regret to say that the burdens which the war and the legislation incident thereto placed upon our shipping interests, have not been removed. It is extremely humiliating to see the business formerly carried on under our flag, monopolized by, and bearing the flag of the nation that contributed the most, in our time of trouble, to sweep our commerce from the ocean. Maine may be expected to feel somewhat intensely, and allowed to speak with some earnestness on this subject, because she has very much at stake. She has in some years of the past furnished fifty per cent. of all the sea-going vessels of the country. In the building and sailing of vessels, employment has been given to twenty thousand and support to one hundred thousand of her citizens.

If this was a subject in which any portion of the country or the Government has adverse interests, the opposition it receives might reasonably be expected. But the relief we ask, while it would help us and others immediately interested, would through increase of business, contribute to the prosperity of the whole country, and add to the revenue of the Government immeasurably more than would be lost, by unfettering these interests, and allowing them to fulfil their important mission.

No man who remembers the efficient aid received from our ship-yards and merchant marine in furnishing vessels and experienced seamen for the creation of a navy in the beginning of the war, can fail to appreciate the importance of this subject to the national defence. It is vastly cheaper and better every way to encourage and sustain interests, which, in addition to their means of prosperity in time of peace, will furnish a navy in time of war, than to maintain permanently such a naval force as would otherwise be required. There is no adequate reason for continuing this unfriendly legislation, which is paralyzing business of such importance.

I earnestly hope Congress will at an early day remove the burdens of which we complain. This would allow our ships and our commerce to compete under more favorable circumstances, with those of other nations in the markets of the world. Let this be done, and we may reasonably hope that the sounds of busy industry will soon be heard in our ship-yards; that the sails of our commerce will again be allowed to whiten every sea, and that the sight of our flag will gladden the hearts of our countrymen in all lands.

BIENNIAL ELECTIONS AND SESSIONS OF THE LEGISLATURE.

My predecessor, in one of his addresses to the Legislature called attention to the subject of biennial elections of State officers and sessions of the Legislature. The suggestion appeared to me timely, and worthy of careful consideration. If a saving of forty or fifty thousand dollars, which is about the cost of a session of the Legislature, can be made to the tax-payers of the State every two years, besides an important reduction in time and expenses incident to the elections, without serious detriment to other interests, it should be done. A revision of the statutes has just been made. They should undergo no useless changes. The history of the State

and country show that the tendency is to too much legislation. I am of the opinion that biennial sessions would furnish ample opportunity for all the legislation the interests of the people and the State would require.

CHANGE OF THE DAY FOR THE ANNUAL ELECTION.

If you should deem the subject just referred to of sufficient importance to submit to the people the question of such amendment to the constitution as the change would require, I suggest that with it you submit the question of changing the day of our annual election to the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November, being the day fixed by law for the Presidential Election. There are some important advantages to be gained by this change. Every four years it would save the time and expense of one election, as the Presidential and State elections would occur on the same day. It would be more favorable to a fair and full expression of the wishes of the people. The present time of election makes it necessary to hold the preliminary caucusses and conventions at a time when in a large part of the State, the people employed in agricultural pursuits are more busily engaged than in any other part of the year. As parties are now organized, the character of our public servants is generally determined at these primary meetings. Unless there is unusual interest in the nominations many of the most intelligent voters who are busily engaged, stay at home. This makes it easy for a few men, who may have private or other interests adverse to the public good, to control the nominations, and if in the majority party, the elections. I submit whether the interests of the State will not be better subserved by holding the preliminary meetings and the elections at a time when the largest number of the people can attend with the least sacrifice. It is generally believed that a better understanding of our duties as voters may be obtained by intelligent and thorough public discussion of the questions at issue and the merits of candidates. Here we find again in the busy season that precedes the present day of election, the same difficulty. Many of the working people cannot leave their business to attend such discussions. Two months later the longer evenings would be more favorable to reading and public meetings, and laboring men could better attend to both. All would be as well accommodated, and many whose honest votes are greatly needed much better.

OUR JAIL SYSTEM.

In our treatment of criminals, the chief object should be the reformation of the criminal and the diminution of crime. Neither of these can be expected as the result of crowding together in inconvenient, unhealthy jails, like many in this State, without employment, persons who have only taken their first step in crime, with hardened criminals of both sexes. The opposite result is sure to follow. The person accused of, or under sentence for his first offence against the law should not be confined with, or placed under the tuition of professional offenders hardened by a life of crime. We cannot afford to ignore the laws of common propriety and decency in our treatment of criminals and those accused of crime. They should be supplied with suitable reading matter, moral and religious instruction, and constant employment.

The report of the Commissioners recently appointed to consider this subject, may be expected at an early day, and will, I trust, suggest some practical plan of reform.

FISHERIES.

The course pursued by our neighbors of the Dominion in regard to the rights of our fishermen, is exceedingly damaging to a business in which many citizens of this State are engaged, and calls for immediate action by the proper authorities. It is gratifying to know that the President of the United States is not unmindful of our interests in this regard. Whatever aid we can give him in determining at an early day the rights of American citizens on the waters where they have so long pursued this business, should not be withheld. We earnestly desire to continue friendly relations with our neighbors. If, however, the indignities that have been offered should be repeated, it will become the duty of the government to adopt such measures as may be necessary to enforce our rights.

INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS.

The idea of an Industrial School for Girls should not be abandoned. All the arguments in favor of reformatory institutions for boys apply with equal, and in some respects, greater force to the establishment of similar institutions for girls.

I earnestly hope the finances of the State, or the munificence of men of means, who desire to aid such an enterprise, or both com-

bined, will, at an early day, allow the establishment of an institution so essential to the moral well being of the State.

CONCLUSION.

In conclusion, I pledge you my earnest coöperation in all measures calculated to promote the prosperity of the State and the happiness of the people, and express the hope that your councils will be harmonious, and result in lasting benefits and blessings to your constituents.

SIDNEY PERHAM.

The Address being concluded, the Governor and suite retired and the Convention dissolved.

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER.

Adjourned.

SUMNER. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

FRIDAY, JANUARY 6, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. MOOR of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Bill "an act to authorize certain cities and towns to aid in the construction and equipment of the Knox and Lincoln Railroad, was presented by Mr. WILSON of Thomaston, read three times, rules being suspended, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Papers from the Senate:

Communications from Hons. Uranus O. Brackett, William Deering, Silas C. Hatch, Ebenezer Choate, 2d, and Hiram Knowlton, Councillors elect, signifying their acceptance; also

Communication from Hon. Parker P. Burleigh, signifying his acceptance of the office of Land Agent; and

Communication from Hon. Franklin M. Drew, accepting the

office of Secretary of State, came from the Senate read, and were read in concurrence.

A message was received from the Senate through its Secretary, Samuel W. Lane, Esq., proposing a Joint Convention in the Hall of the House, this day at 11 o'clock, for the purpose of administering to Uranus O. Brackett, William Deering, Ebenezer Choate, 2d, and Silas C. Hatch, Councillors elect, the oaths required to enable them to enter upon their official duties.

The Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate, informing that branch of the concurrence of the House in the proposition for a Convention.

The hour having arrived, the Senate came in and a Convention was formed.

IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. MINOT of the Senate,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Convention be directed to notify Uranus O. Brackett, William Deering, Silas C. Hatch and Ebenezer Choate, 2d, Councillors elect, that the two branches of the Legislature are assembled in Convention, for the purpose of administering to them the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

The Secretary subsequently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him, and Uranus O. Brackett, William Deering, Silas C. Hatch and Ebenezer Choate, 2d, Councillors elect, were pleased to say they would forthwith attend upon the Convention.

Thereupon, Uranus O. Brackett William Deering, Silas C. Hatch and Ebenezer Choate, 2d, came in, and in the presence of the Convention and before the President of the Senate, took and subscribed the oaths required to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

The Councillors then retired.

On motion of Mr. FOSTER of the Senate,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor by the Secretary, informing him of the election and qualification of Uranus O. Brackett, William Deering, Silas C. Hatch and Ebenezer Choate, 2d, as Executive Councillors for the current political year.

Having accomplished the purpose for which it assembled, the Convention was dissolved and the Senate retired.

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER.

On motion of Mr. CARLETON of Whitefield,

Ordered, That when the House adjourns, it be till Monday at 11 o'clock A. M.

On motion of Mr. HEATH of Waterville,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. CRAM of Augusta.

The Journal of Friday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Ordered, That, the House concurring, all petitions for private legislation, except petitions for redress of wrongs and grievances, which shall be presented to this Legislature after the first day of February next, be referred to the next Legislature, and this order be published in the Kennebec Journal until that date.

This order came from the Senate read, amended requiring the publication of the same in the Daily Whig and the Portland Press, and passed, and was read, amendment adopted, and passed in concurrence.

Resolve providing for furnishing the Maine Year Book and Annual Register, came from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed, and was read once and to-morrow assigned for the second reading.

Bill "an act to authorize certain cities and towns to aid in the construction and equipment of the Knox and Lincoln Railroad."

"Resolve relating to the commission to investigate all matters in relation to credits allowed on the quotas of towns by the State

and General Government for men not actually put into the service."

The foregoing bill having had three, and the resolve two several readings and passed to be engrossed, under suspension of the rules, the bill was passed to be enacted, resolve finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Communication from the Treasurer of State transmitting his Annual Report for the year ending December 31, 1870, was received and read.

Paper from the Senate :

Ordered, That the Report of the Treasurer this day laid before the Legislature, be referred to a Joint Select Committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and Messrs. Minot of Kennebec, Lane of Cumberland, and Hinks of Hancock, appointed said Committee on its part.

The order was read and passed, and Messrs. Burgess of Portland, Reed of Waldoborough, Gannett of Bath, Whiting of Ellsworth, Rawson of Bangor, Wadsworth of Pembroke, and Haskell of Portland, were joined on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. HACKER of Fort Fairfield,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be requested to furnish the members of the House of Representatives each with one copy of the State valuation of the plantations and wild lands.

On motion of Mr. JONES of Norway,

Ordered, That twenty-five hundred copies of the Governor's Address be printed for the use of the House.

On motion of Mr. KEEGAN of Madawaska,

Ordered, That the Clerk of the House be instructed to furnish two thousand copies of the Register of the House of Representatives for the use of the House.

On motion of Mr. HOPKINS of Mt. Vernon,

Ordered, That all business of the last Legislature referred to this, be taken from the files and referred to the appropriate Committees.

On motion of Mr. TALBOT of East Machias,

Ordered, That the Treasurer of State be authorized to deliver

the bonds of equalization of the war debt of the town of Crawford to the town treasurer or his order.

On motion of Mr. STICKNEY of Presque Isle,

Ordered, That a Joint Select Committee of one from each county on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, be appointed, to which shall be referred all petitions and orders for amendment of the State valuation of 1870.

The SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Stickney of Presque Isle, Osgood of Lewiston, Haskell of Portland, Perkins of Farmington, Chase of Augusta, Cushing of Camden, Reed of Waldoborough, Whiting of Ellsworth, Jones of Norway, Chapin of Monson, Atwell of Orono, Hagar of Richmond, Taylor of Norridgewock, Crehore of Lincolnville, Wadsworth of Pembroke, and Bragdon of York, on the part of the House.

The foregoing orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, announced the attendance of Mr. Hobart of Dennysville, member elect, and accompanied him to the Governor, where he took and subscribed the oaths required to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Mr. Hobart subsequently took his seat in the House.

The Joint Standing Committees of the Legislature on the part of the Senate, came from that branch, and were joined on the part of the House, and are as follows :

On the Judiciary.

Messrs. Lane of Cumberland,
Foster of Kennebec,
Vose of Waldo, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Pike of Calais,
Bliss of Washington,
Bonney of Portland,
Wilson of Thomaston,
Sanborn of Bangor,
Lord of Alfred,
Hutchings of Brewer, *of the House.*

On Federal Relations.

Messrs. Foster of Kennebec,
 Morris of Cumberland,
 Sawyer of Washington, *of the Senate* ;
 Messrs. Johnson of Augusta,
 Reed of Waldoborough,
 Rawson of Bangor,
 Hobart of Dennysville,
 Woodbury of Houlton,
 Cousens of Kennebunkport,
 Perkins of Farmington, *of the House.*

On Military Affairs.

Messrs. Spaulding of Sagadahoc,
 Smart of Waldo,
 French of Somerset, *of the Senate* ;
 Messrs. Robie of Gorham,
 Atwell of Orono,
 Thompson of Dover,
 Cobb of Windham,
 Goodwin of Berwick,
 Hinckley of Phillips,
 White of Greenfield, *of the House.*

On Coast and Frontier Defences.

Messrs. Sawyer of Washington,
 Dudley of Aroostook,
 Lane of Cumberland, *of the Senate* ;
 Messrs. Bartlett of Harmony,
 Googins of Millbridge,
 Erving of Bristol,
 Wass of Addison,
 Parsons of Franklin,
 Thompson of Trenton,
 Gray of Harrison, *of the House.*

On Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Messrs. Holland of Androscoggin,
Nealley of York,
French of Somerset, *of the Senate*;
Messrs. Patten of Bath,
Robie of Gorham,
Sewall of Oldtown,
Woodbury of Houlton,
Harriman of Belfast,
Burgess of Portland,
Bird of Rockland, *of the House*.

On Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Messrs. Carvill of Cumberland,
Webber of Somerset,
Smith of Knox, *of the Senate*;
Messrs. Sanborn of Kittery,
Gannett of Bath,
Whiting of Ellsworth,
Blossom of Monmouth,
Cousens of Kennebunkport,
Hopkins of Mt. Vernon,
Goodwin of Berwick, *of the House*.

On Legal Reform.

Messrs. Cleaves of Oxford,
Spaulding of Sagadahoc,
Smith of Lincoln, *of the Senate*;
Messrs. Carleton of Whitefield,
Heath of Waterville,
Cleaves of Portland,
Knapp of East Livermore,
Adams of Biddeford,
Cobb of Windham,
Lamb of Clinton, *of the House*.

On Education.

Messrs. French of Franklin,
 Smith of Lincoln,
 Carvill of Cumberland, *of the Senate*;
 Messrs. Norcross of Charleston,
 Hathaway of Skowhegan,
 Keegan of Madawaska,
 Potter of Topsham,
 Bragdon of York,
 Holt of New Sharon,
 Colburn of Windsor, *of the House*.

On Banks and Banking.

Messrs. Gray of Kennebec,
 Morris of Cumberland,
 Hobson of York, *of the Senate*;
 Messrs. Cram of Brunswick,
 Johnson of Augusta,
 Reed of Waldoborough,
 Wyman of Newport,
 Palmer of Gardiner,
 Wadsworth of Pembroke,
 Haskell of Portland, *of the House*.

On Agriculture.

Messrs. Perley of Cumberland,
 Bartlett of Hancock,
 French of Franklin, *of the Senate*;
 Messrs. Green of Wilton,
 Bean of Denmark,
 Deering of Waterborough,
 Osgood of Durham,
 Willard of Mercer,
 Stackpole of Acton,
 Lane of Raymond, *of the House*.

On Manufactures.

Messrs. Mayo of Piscataquis,
Hinks of Hancock,
Minot of Kennebec, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Dingley of Auburn,
Burnham of Biddeford,
Tibbetts of Sanford,
Chase of Augusta,
Osgood of Lewiston,
Nutter of Cape Elizabeth,
Bishop of Milo, *of the House*.

On Interior Waters.

Messrs. Nickels of Penobscot,
Hobson of York,
Gray of Kennebec, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Hobson of Wiscasset,
Talbot of East Machias,
Atwell of Orono,
Bliss of Washington,
Fitch of Sebago,
Carver of Searsport,
Getchell of Baldwin, *of the House*.

On State Lands and State Roads.

Messrs. Dudley of Aroostook,
Rolfe of Washington,
Webber of Somerset, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Martin of Rumford,
Hacker of Fort Fairfield,
Chapin of Monson,
Strickland of Bangor,
Buswell of Etna,
Moore of Machiasport,
Moores of Dalton, *of the House*.

On Division of Towns.

Messrs. Hinks of Hancock,
 Smith of Knox,
 Mayo of Piscataquis, *of the Senate* ;
 Messrs. Smith of Parsonsfield,
 Hopkins of Bluehill,
 Taylor of Norridgewock,
 Rawson of Bangor,
 Knight of Sweden,
 Crehore of Lincolnville,
 Foster of Bethel, *of the House.*

On Division of Counties.

Messrs. Webber of Somerset,
 Torrey of Knox,
 Hayford of Oxford, *of the Senate* ;
 Messrs. Stickney of Presque Isle,
 Wagg of Danville,
 Berry of Buxton,
 Haskell of Garland,
 Brewer of Freeport,
 Hastings of Union,
 Severance of Searsport, *of the House.*

On Incorporation of Towns.

Messrs. Nealley of York,
 Smart of Waldo,
 French of Franklin, *of the Senate* ;
 Messrs. Hacker of Fort Fairfield,
 Clark of Lincoln,
 Andrews of Otisfield,
 Mayo of Monroe,
 Stuart of Belgrade,
 Jenkins of Elliot,
 Goodrich of Moscow, *of the House.*

On Fisheries.

Messrs. Bartlett of Hancock,
Torrey of Knox,
Sawyer of Washington, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Minot of Phipsburg,
Whitmore of Verona,
Rodick of Eden,
Anderson of Eastport,
Moore of Machiasport,
Heal of Westport,
Snowman of Penobscot, *of the House*.

On Indian Affairs.

Messrs. Rolfe of Washington,
Fuller of Penobscot,
Nickels of Penobscot, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Hobart of Dennysville,
Reed of No. 11, Range 1,
Andrews of Palmyra,
Taber of Unity,
Ellis of Canton,
Blanchard of Corinth,
Clook of Topsfield, *of the House*.

On Claims.

Messrs. Minot of Kennebec,
Cleaves of Oxford,
Perley of Cumberland, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Comins of Eddington,
Hagar of Richmond,
Whitehouse of St. George,
Stover of Morrill,
Hayden of Madison,
Drisco of Columbia,
White of Winterport, *of the House*.

On Pensions.

Messrs. Fuller of Penobscot,
 Roberts of York,
 Smart of Waldo, *of the Senate* ;
 Messrs. Gannett of Bath,
 Stickney of Presque Isle,
 Cushing of Camden,
 Hill of Brownfield,
 Winter of New Portland,
 Simpson of Gray,
 Raynes of Deer Isle, *of the House.*

On Insane Hospital.

Messrs. Hobson of York,
 Bartlett of Hancock,
 Hinks of Hancock, *of the Senate* ;
 Messrs. Wall of Hallowell,
 Jones of Norway,
 Thompson of Dover,
 Bradbury of Limington,
 Snow of Winthrop,
 Ray of Westbrook,
 Weed of Veazie, *of the House.*

On Reform School.

Messrs. Hayford of Oxford,
 Smith of Lincoln,
 Minot of Kennebec, *of the Senate* ;
 Messrs. Robinson of Carmel,
 Knight of Sweden,
 Perkins of Poland,
 Rodick of Eden,
 Moore of Buckfield,
 Jones of Springfield,
 Fish of Turner, *of the House.*

On State Prison.

Messrs. Roberts of York,
Gray of Kennebec,
Perley of Cumberland, *of the Senate*;
Messrs. Wyman of Newport,
Tibbetts of Sanford,
Dustin of Dexter,
Reynolds of Lewiston,
Martin of Rumford,
Berry of Damariscotta,
Bragdon of York, *of the House*.

On Public Buildings.

Messrs. Morris of Cumberland,
Holland of Androscoggin,
French of Somerset, *of the Senate*;
Messrs. Chase of Augusta,
Foster of Bethel,
Skillin of North Yarmouth,
Partridge of Orland,
Brown of Falmouth,
Mahony of Newcastle,
Clark of China, *of the House*.

On Library.

Messrs. Vose of Waldo,
Foster of Kennebec,
Carvill of Cumberland, *of the Senate*;
Messrs. Ray of Westbrook,
Cleaves of Portland,
Hodgdon of West Gardiner,
Emery of South Thomaston,
Simonton of Rockland,
Sayward of Thorndike,
Greene of Temple *of the House*.

The SPEAKER announced the Standing Committees of the House, as follows :

On Engrossed Bills.

Messrs. Hopkins of Mt. Vernon,
Hathaway of Skowhegan,
Heath of Waterville,
Potter of Topsham,
Ray of Westbrook,
White of Greenfield,
Goodwin of Berwick.

On Bills in Third Reading.

Messrs. Lord of Alfred,
Cleaves of Portland,
Colburn of Windsor,
Hammond of Paris,
Stickney of Presque Isle,
Strickland of Bangor,
Rodick of Eden.

On Leave of Absence.

Messrs. Hodgdon of West Gardiner,
Ellis of Canton,
Hinckley of Phillips,
Emery of South Thomaston,
Wagg of Danville,
Keegan of Madawaska,
Googins of Millbridge.

On Pay Roll.

Messrs. Burgess of Portland,
Fish of Turner,
Talbot of East Machias,
Wyman of Newport,
Jones of Norway,
Bliss of Washington,
Wall of Hallowell.

On County Estimates.

Messrs. Hopkins of Bluehill,
Perkins of Poland,
Hacker of Fort Fairfield,
Andrews of Otisfield,
Greene of Temple,
Stuart of Belgrade,
Waterhouse of St. George,
Heal of Westport,
Moore of Buckfield,
Clark of Lincoln,
Bishop of Milo,
Hagar of Richmond,
Bartlett of Harmony,
Mayo of Monroe,
Wadsworth of Pembroke,
Berry of Buxton.

On Change of Names.

Messrs. Bird of Rockland,
Blossom of Monmouth,
Bonney of Portland,
Buswell of Etna,
Bean of Denmark,
Brown of Falmouth,
Brewer of Freeport.

On Finance.

Messrs. Hobart of Dennysville,
Reed of Waldoborough,
Sanborn of Kittery,
Perkins of Farmington,
Simonton of Rockland,
Patten of Bath,
Strickland of Bangor.

On Elections.

Messrs. Bonney of Portland,
Knapp of East Livermore,
Jenkins of Elliot,
Harriman of Belfast,
Carleton of Whitefield,
Perkins of Poland,
Clook of Topsfield,

Remonstrance of Gideon A. Hastings of Bethel, against the right of Moses C. Foster to a seat in the House, was referred to the Committee on Elections.

Petition of P. S. J. Talbot and others of East Machias, for an act to legalize the extension of their wharf in said town, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of James B. Leslie of Mt. Chase, for remuneration for betterments on lot No. 25 in said town, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

A message was received from the Senate, through its Secretary, S. W. Lane, Esq., proposing a Joint Convention in the Hall of the House, at 12½ o'clock, for the purpose of administering to Hiram Knowlton, Councillor elect, the oaths required to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

The Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate, informing that branch of the concurrence of the House in the proposition for a Convention.

The hour having arrived, the Senate came in, and a Convention was formed.

IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. FOSTER of Kennebec,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Convention be directed to notify Hon. Hiram Knowlton, Councillor elect, that the two branches of the Legislature are assembled in Convention, for the purpose of administering to him the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

The Secretary subsequently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him, and the Hon. Councillor elect was pleased to say, that he would forthwith attend upon the Convention.

Thereupon, Hon. Hiram Knowlton, Councillor elect, came in, and in the presence of the Convention, and before the President of the Senate, took and subscribed the oaths required to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

The Honorable Councillor then retired.

On motion of Mr. WEBBER of Somerset,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Convention be directed to notify the Governor of the election and qualification of Hon. Hiram Knowlton as Executive Councillor for the current political year.

Having accomplished the purpose for which it assembled, the Convention dissolved, and the Senate retired.

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER.

On motion of Mr. CARLETON of Whitefield,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. HATHAWAY of the House.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Communication from the Governor submitting a copy of the revised statutes for examination, came from the Senate, and was read.

Ordered, That a Joint Select Committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed, to which shall be referred the message of the Governor concerning the revision of the statutes; said Committee to examine the subject matter therein referred to and report by bill or otherwise at an early day.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and Messrs. Vose of Waldo, Spaulding of Sagadahoc, and Foster of Kennebec, appointed said Committee on its part.

The order was read and passed in concurrence, and the SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Harriman of Belfast, Bonney of Portland, Cleaves of Portland, Hutchins of Brewer, and Lord of Alfred, on the part of the House.

Ordered, That a Joint Select Committee consisting of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed to contract with some suitable person or persons to do the State printing and binding for the current year, subject to the approval of the Legislature.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and Messrs. French of Franklin, Cleaves of Oxford, and Spaulding of Sagadahoc, appointed said Committee.

The order was read and passed, and Messrs. Cram of Brunswick, Stickney of Presque Isle, Sanborn of Bangor, Chase of Augusta, Pike of Calais, Gannett of Bath, and Smith of Parsonsfield, were joined on the part of the House.

Ordered, That a Joint Select Committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed on the Governor's Message, who shall report a reference of its several subjects to appropriate Committees.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and Messrs. Fuller of Penobscot, Smart of Waldo, and Smith of Knox, appointed said Committee.

The order was read and passed in concurrence, and Messrs. Dingley of Auburn, Woodbury of Houlton, Wilson of Thomaston, Strickland of Bangor, Hobson of Wiscasset, Hodgdon of West Gardiner, and Hobart of Dennysville, were joined on the part of the House.

Ordered, That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of amending the law relating to employment of school teachers, so as to vest that power in school district agents.

Ordered, That, the House concurring, the Joint Rules and Orders of 1870 be adopted as the Joint Rules and Orders of this Legislature until otherwise ordered.

These orders came from the Senate read and passed, and were read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of the Boston and Maine Railroad Company, for authority to extend said road to Portland, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, and was referred in concurrence.

Communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting returns of votes for Representatives, was received, and referred to the Committee on Elections.

Remonstrance of Samuel L. Tryon, against the right of Isaac Brown of Falmouth, to a seat in the House; and

Petition of same, to be admitted as a member of the House from the classed towns of Falmouth and Pownal;

Were referred to the Committee on Elections.

Petition of Ira T. Drew and others of Alfred; also

Petition of Oliver Nutter and others; and

Petition of John F. Goodsoe and others of Kittery and York, for charter for a railroad from some point on the P. S. and P. Railroad in Wells, to some point on the Portland and Rochester Railroad in Alfred; also

Bill "an act to make valid the transfer of the Bangor and Milford Railroad to the European and North American Railway Company"; and

Petition of Francis Milliken and others, for an act to incorporate the Old Orchard Railroad Company;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of inhabitants of Clinton, for an act to legalize the doings of said town; also

Bill "an act to incorporate the Peak's Island Steamboat Company"; and

Petition of Assessors of Castle Hill, for an act to make valid the doings of said plantation;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of E. P. Ingalls and others of Denmark, for an act to make valid the doings of said town; also

Petition of Francis Bacon, for change of the law relating to the choice of Clerks of Courts; and

Bill "an act to incorporate the Cobb Lime Company";

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Walter Foss and others of Leeds, for repeal of the law establishing County Supervisors for Schools; and

Bill "an act to repeal an act to amend chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the employment of teachers";

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of B. F. Hinckley and others of Bluehill, for repeal of the law relating to the taking of porgies; and

Bill "an act authorizing Eliza Morton of Lubec, to construct a fish weir in Johnson's bay";

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of Robert Norton and others, for authority to build a dam across Pemaquid river in Bristol; also

Petition of Seth Scamman and others, for an act to incorporate the Little River Dyking Company; and

Bill "an act to prevent the throwing of edgings into the Narraguagus river";

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of John Walker, to be set off from the South Paris Village Corporation, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Petition of Joseph A. Chambers, for bounty due his son who died in the service of the United States; and

Petition of George W. Ayer, for State aid;

Were referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Petition of Freeman L. Ball of Mapleton; also

Petition of the Assessors of Mapleton; and

Petition of John F. Hoffses and others of Castle Hill, for amendment of the State valuation;

Were referred to the Committee on State Valuation.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BONNEY of Portland,

Ordered, That a new apportionment of the State for Senators and Representatives to the Legislature, is expedient, and that a Joint Select Committee of one from each county on the part of the House, to be selected by the several county delegations, with such as the Senate may join, be appointed, to take into consideration the enumeration of the inhabitants of this State as a basis for such apportionment.

On motion of Mr. HOBART of Dennysville,

Ordered, That the matter of apportioning the State into Congressional Districts under the Census for 1870, be referred to a Joint Select Committee of seven on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, with instructions to report such action thereon as they may deem expedient.

The SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Bonney of Portland, Moore of Buckfield, Wilson of Thomaston, Hacker of Fort Fairfield, Pike of Calais, Simonton of Rockland, and Cousens of Kennebunkport, said Committee.

The foregoing orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. CARLETON of Whitefield,

Ordered, That there be paid to Charles E. Avery, Messenger of the House for the year 1870, the sum of thirty-eight dollars, for travel and services at this session.

The foregoing was read, and referred to the Committee on Finance, on motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais.

"Resolve providing for the Maine State Year Book and Annual Register," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the second time, and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. CARLETON of Whitefield.

The resignation of Hon. Ebenezer Choate, 2d, Executive Councillor, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and accepted in concurrence.

A message was received from the Senate through its Secretary, S. W. Lane, Esq., proposing a Joint Convention in the Hall of the House, this day, at 11½ o'clock A. M., for the purpose of filling the vacancy in the Executive Council occasioned by the resignation of Hon. Ebenezer Choate, 2d.

The Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate, informing that branch of the concurrence of the House in the proposition for a Convention.

The hour having arrived, the Senate came, in and a Convention formed.

IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. LANE of the Senate,

Messrs. Lane of Cumberland, Smart of Waldo, Bird of Rockland,

Hobart of Dennyville, Burnham of Biddeford, Jones of Norway, and Stuart of Belgrade, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Executive Councillor to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Hon. Ebenezer Choate, 2d.

Having attended to that duty, Mr. LANE, from the Committee, reported :

Whole number of votes.....	129
Necessary to a choice.....	65
George Weeks has.....	108
Cyrus McKown.....	20
Jason Carleton.....	1

The report was read and accepted, and Hon. George Weeks declared duly elected Councillor for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. SPAULDING of Sagadahoc, the Secretary of the Convention was directed to notify Hon. George Weeks of his election as Executive Councillor for the current political year.

The purpose for which it assembled having been accomplished, the Convention was dissolved and the Senate retired.

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER.

Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, asked to be and was excused from service on the Committee on Federal Relations, and Mr. Hagar of Richmond, was appointed to fill the vacancy.

On motion of Mr. STACKPÓLE of Acton,
Adjourned.

SUMNER. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. PENNEY of Augusta,

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Communication from the Secretary of State transmitting the Reports of the Attorney General and of the Superintendent and Trustees of the Insane Hospital, came from the Senate, and was read.

Petition of John Hanson and another of Jay, for an act to make valid the doings of said town, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and was referred in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads be directed to inquire into the expediency of making an appropriation to rebuild the bridge from Princeton to the Indian township in Washington county.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and was read and passed in concurrence.

Ordered, That a Joint Select Committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed to see what measure shall be taken to obtain titles of the lands, or quiet the claims of settlers who under authority of Land Agents, and certificates from the same, have improved certain lots of land, paid the price thereof as the statutes provide, in road labor, and which lands to the great injustice of these settlers, have subsequently been conveyed to the European and North American Railway Company.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and Messrs. Dudley of Aroostook, Foster of Kennebec, and Lane of Cumberland, appointed.

The SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Reed of No. 11, Hammond of Paris, Clark of Lincoln, Ray of Westbrook, Hobart of Dennysville, White of Winterport, and Goodrich of Moscow, on the part of the House.

Order providing for a Committee on State Valuation, passed by the House, came from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

Mr. SEWALL of Oldtown, moved the House recede and concur.

Mr. KEEGAN of Madawaska, moved that this motion be laid on the table.

Mr. BURGESS moved, and the House ordered, that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, was decided in the negative, by yeas 55, nays 72.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Andrews of Otisfield, Anderson, Atwell, Bartlett, Bean, Bishop, Blossom, Brewer, Buswell, Carleton, Carver, Chase, Chapin, Clark of China, Colburn, Comins, Ervin, Foster, Hacker, Haskell of Garland, Hathaway, Hayden Heal, Hinkley, Hobson, Johnson, Jones of Norway, Keegan, Lamb, Mahony, Martin, Mayo, Minot, Moores, Nutter, Osgood of Lewiston, Osgood of Durham, Parsons, Ray, Raynes, Reed of No. 11, Reynolds, Sanborn of Kittery, Simon-ton, Smith of Parsonsfield, Snow, Stickney, Storer, Taylor, Wadsworth, Weed, White of Winterport, White of Greenfield, Winter, Wyman—55.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Berry of Damariscotta, Bird, Blanchard, Bonney, Bradbury, Bragdon, Brown, Burgess, Burnham, Clark of Lincoln, Cleaves, Clook, Cousens, Crehore, Cushing, Dingley, Drisco, Dustin, Ellis, Emery, Fish, Fitch, Gannett, Goodwin, Googins, Gray, Greene of Temple, Hammond, Haskell of Portland, Hastings, Heath, Hill, Hobart, Hodgdon, Hopkins of Bluehill, Hopkins of Mt. Vernon, Hutchins, Jenkins, Jones of Springfield, Knight, Lane, Lord, Moore of Buckfield, Palmer, Perkins of Poland, Perkins of Farmington, Pike, Potter, Rawson, Robie, Robinson, Rodick, Sanborn of Bangor, Sayward, Sewall, Severance, Simpson, Skillin, Smith of Saco, Snowman, Strickland, Stewart, Taber, Talbot, Tebbetts, Thompson of Dover, Thompson of Trenton, Wagg, Wall, Wass, Whitmore, Wilson—72.

The question then being on receding and concurring, it was taken by yeas and nays, and the House receded and concurred in the indefinite postponement of the order, by yeas 76, nays 53.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Andrews of Palmyra, Atwell, Bean, Bird, Blossom, Bonney, Bradbury, Bragdon, Brown, Burgess, Burnham, Carver, Clark of Lincoln, Cleaves, Clook, Cousens, Crehore, Cushing, Ding-

ley, Drisco, Dustin, Ellis, Emery, Fish, Gannett, Getchell, Goodwin, Googins, Greene of Temple, Hammond, Haskell of Portland, Hastings, Hayden, Heath, Hobart, Hodgdon, Hopkins of Bluehill, Hopkins of Mt. Vernon, Hutchins, Jenkins, Jones of Springfield, Knight, Lane, Lord, Minot, Moore of Buckfield, Palmer, Parsons, Perkins of Poland, Perkins of Farmington, Pike, Rawson, Raynes, Robie, Robinson, Rodick, Sanborn of Bangor, Sewall, Severance, Simpson, Skillin, Snow, Snowman, Stackpole, Strickland, Stewart, Taber, Talbot, Tebbets, Thompson of Dover, Thompson of Trenton, Wagg, Wall, Wass, Whitmore, Wilson—70.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Andrews of Otisfield, Anderson, Bartlett, Berry of Damariscotta, Bishop, Brewer, Buswell, Carleton, Chase, Chapin, Clark of China, Cobb, Colburn, Comins, Ervin, Foster, Gray, Hacker, Haskell of Garland, Hathaway, Heal, Hill, Hinkley, Hobson, Johnson, Jones of Norway, Keegan, Lamb, Mahony, Martin, Maye, Moores, Nutter, Osgood of Lewiston, Osgood of Durham, Partridge, Potter, Ray, Reed of No. 11, Reynolds, Sanborn of Kittery, Sayward, Simonton, Smith of Parsonsfield, Stickney, Storer, Taylor, Wadsworth, Weed, White of Winterport, White of Greenfield, Winter, Wyman—53.

Remonstrance of inhabitants of Wayne, against repeal of the law relating to the employment of teachers; also

Petition of Cyrus Cole and others of Cape Elizabeth, for repeal of the school laws of 1870; also

Petition of the Trustees of Paris Hill Academy, for an appropriation; and

Petition of G. A. Wilson and others, for an appropriation to the Oxford Normal Institute;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Remonstrance of Richard Stevens, against the erection of a dam across Pemaquid river; also

Petitions of E. K. Clark and others and Thomas S. Jones and others, for an act to prohibit the throwing of edgings, &c., into the Damariscotta river; and

Petition of I. J. Carr and others, for an act to incorporate the Kennebec and Chelsea Ice Company;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Salmon Jones, for deed of a lot of land; also

Petition of officers of plantations in Madawaska District, for abatement of State tax ; also

Petition of inhabitants of No. 11, Range 1, for aid to build road in said plantation ; also

Petition of municipal officers of plantation No. 11, Range 1, Aroostook county ; and

Petition of inhabitants of Oakfield, for reduction of valuation ; also

Petition of J. S. Arnold and others, for aid to build mills on Madawaska river ; and

Petition of Abigail Davis of Amity, for deed of a lot of land ;

Were referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of John E. Colewell, for authority to build a fish weir in Pigeon Hill bay in Steuben ; also

Petition of J. B. Swanton, for authority to build a fish weir in Stover's cove in Millbridge ; and

Petition of Joshua M. Leighton, for authority to build a fish weir in Pigeon Hill bay in Millbridge ;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of the Eastport Hotel Company, for authority to loan money ; also

Petition of Leander Weeks and others, for the incorporation of Knox Masonic Temple Company ; also

Petition of Daniel Butters and others of Prentiss, for an act to legalize the doings of said town ; and

Bill "an act empowering towns, cities and village corporations to make by-laws and ordinances in certain cases" ;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of Walker Darling, for pension ; and

Bill "an act to revive and continue in force chapter 170, laws of 1868, authorizing pensions for soldiers and seamen" ;

Were referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Petition of Samuel F. Hersey and others, for charter for a railroad from some point on the European and North American Railway to Fort Kent ; and

Petition of Joseph Nickerson, for an act to incorporate the Boothbay Marine Railway Company ;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of C. D. Stevens and others, for incorporation of Eustis as a town, was referred to the Committee on incorporation of towns.

Petition of James Atkins and others of Hallowell, for an act to allow said city to raise money to aid in the erection of a saw-mill; and

Bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Laconia Company";

Were referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Bill "an act to regulate the qualifications of practitioners in medicine and surgery," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Lime Rock Bank, for extension of charter, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. DINGLEY of Auburn,

Ordered, That the Committee on Banks and Banking inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 60, section 5 of the public laws of 1869, relating to the investment of deposits in savings banks.

On motion of Mr. HASKELL of Portland,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of taxing all undivided surplus profits remaining in banks in excess of five per cent. of their capital stock.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. CARLETON of Whitefield, presented the following order, which was laid on the table on motion of Mr. BURGESS of Portland:

Ordered, That the Committee on Education be requested to report on Friday, January 13, 1871, the result of their deliberation on bill "an act to repeal chapter 159 of the public laws of 1870, relating to the employment of teachers."

Mr. HOBART, from the Committee on Finance, on order, reported "resolve in favor of Charles E. Avery."

The report was read and accepted, resolve read twice, under suspension of the rules, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Communications from William Grindle, Jr., and George Weeks,

Councillors elect, signifying their acceptance, were received and read.

A message was received from the Senate, through its Secretary, S. W. Lane, Esq., proposing a Joint Convention in the Hall of the House, this day, at 11½ o'clock A. M., for the purpose of administering to William Grindle, Jr., and George Weeks, Councillors elect, the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

The Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate, informing that branch of the concurrence of the House in the proposition for a Convention.

The hour having arrived, the Senate came in, and a Convention formed.

IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. VOSE of Waldo,

The Secretary of the Convention was directed to notify William Grindle, Jr., and George Weeks, that the Legislature is now in Convention assembled in the Representatives' Hall, for the purpose of administering to them the oaths required to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

The Secretary subsequently reported that he had delivered the message, and the Councillors elect were pleased to say, they would forthwith attend the Convention.

Thereupon William Grindle, Jr., and George Weeks, came in, and in presence of the Legislature, before the President of the Convention, took and subscribed the oaths of office necessary to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

The Councillors then retired.

The Secretary of the Convention was directed to inform the Governor of the election and qualification of William Grindle, Jr., and George Weeks, as Councillors, for the current political year.

The purposes for which the Convention was formed having been accomplished, the Senate retired.

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER.

Mr. TALBOT of Machias, announced the attendance of Mr. Moore of Machiasport, member elect, and conducted him to the

Governor, where he took and subscribed the oaths necessary to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Mr. Moore subsequently took his seat in the House.

Mr. SANBORN of Bangor, asked to be and was excused from serving on the Committee on Printing and Binding, and Mr. Hammond of Paris, was appointed to fill the vacancy.

On motion of Mr. LAMB of Clinton,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

THURSDAY, JANUARY 12, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. PENNEY of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of Josiah True as a Justice of the Peace," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Lincoln Ice Company of Richmond, for authority to increase its capital stock, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of S. O. Brown and others, for incorporation of the Piscataquis Reservoir Dam Company, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of the Portland and Rutland Railroad Company, for extension of time in which to locate its road; and

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Portland and Rutland Railroad Company," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of J. S. Ricker and 669 others, for the division of the town of Westbrook, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Petition of Freeman L. Ball and others; also

Petition of Assessors of Mapleton plantation; and

Petition of John F. Hoffses and others of Castle Hill—all for reduction of State valuation of said plantations, referred to the Joint Select Committee on State Valuation, came back from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

The House receded and concurred.

Resolve in favor of Mrs. Isabella Fogg, was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Petition of J. S. Bartlett and others, for an act to regulate the taking of eels in Damariscotta river;

Petition of E. S. Jones and others, in aid of the same;

Remonstrance of E. W. Stetson and others against the same;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of William F. Lovejoy and others of Gray, for charter for a railroad from some point on the Portland and Rochester Railroad to some point on the Grand Trunk near Danville; and

Petition of the Androscoggin Railroad Company, for extension of said road, with bill;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of the Trustees of the Fort Fairfield High School, for aid; and

Petition of Jesse Drew and others, in aid of the same; and

Petition of D. A. Campbell and others, for repeal of the law relating to the employment of teachers;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Bill "an act authorizing railroad companies to fix the number of directors," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of Abby M. White, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. CLARK of Lincoln,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire what legislation, if any, is necessary to enable soldiers to maintain actions against plantations, organized for school and election purposes, for the recovery of such portion of the State scrip or avails thereof, issued under the act equalizing municipal war debts, as may have been voted them by such plantations.

On motion of Mr. JONES of Springfield,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of providing a lien in favor of persons cutting, peeling, making or hauling hemlock bark, for their personal sureties thereon.

On motion of Mr. BLISS of Washington,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire if any legislation is necessary to further protect the rights and interests of joint owners of personal property.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES of Portland,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of so amending section 47, chapter 81 of the revised statutes of 1857, that any personal property attached which cannot be kept without great expense, may be sold before judgment.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Limington,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of amending or repealing chapter 159, laws of 1870, which gives the power to superintending school committees to employ school teachers.

On motion of Mr. HOPKINS of Mt. Vernon,

Ordered, That the same Committee be instructed to report as soon as practicable upon the petitions asking a repeal of the school laws of 1870.

The foregoing orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. SEWALL of Oldtown,

Ordered, That the State Treasurer be directed to inform this House what amount has been received from the sale of four half townships of land, apportioned by the act of 1863 as a fund for normal schools; the several sums drawn from said fund, to whom, when and for what purpose drawn and paid, and under what acts of appropriation the same have been expended.

Mr. PIKE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Cobb Lime Company."

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for the second reading.

Communication from John R. Pulsifer, Councillor elect, signifying his acceptance, came from the Senate, and was read.

A message was received from the Senate, through its Secretary, S. W. Lane, Esq., proposing a Joint Convention in the Hall of the

House, this day, at 11½ o'clock A. M., for the purpose of administering to John R. Pulsifer, Councillor elect, the oaths required to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

The Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate, informing that branch of the concurrence of the House in the proposition for a Convention.

The hour having arrived, the Senate came in, and a Convention formed.

IN CONVENTION.

On motion of HOLLAND of Androscoggin,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Convention be directed to notify Hon. John R. Pulsifer, Councillor elect, that the two branches of the Legislature are assembled in Convention, for the purpose of administering to him the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

The Secretary subsequently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him, and the Hon. Councillor elect was pleased to say, that he would forthwith attend upon the Convention.

Thereupon, John R. Pulsifer, Councillor elect, came in, and in the presence of the Convention, before the President of the Senate, took and subscribed the oaths required to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

The Hon. Councillor then retired.

On motion of Mr. SPAULDING of Sagadahoc,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Convention be directed to notify the Governor of the election and qualification of Hon. John R. Pulsifer as Executive Councillor for the current political year.

Having accomplished the purpose for which it assembled, the Convention dissolved, and the Senate retired.

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER.

On motion of Mr. BRAGDON of York,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 13, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. UPJOHN of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Petition of the County Commissioners of Washington county, for change of the law regulating their pay, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Jackson Dockendorff of Maysville, for deed of a lot of land ;

Petition of M. H. Stewart and others of Castle Hill, for an appropriation on the road in said plantation ; and

Petition of James A. Drew, for repayment of money paid the State, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of Louis Cormier, to be set off from Grant Isle to Madawaska ; and

Petition of Xavier Cyr and others, in aid of the same, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Petition of S. H. Dale and others, for charter for a railroad from Greenbush to Grand Falls ; and

Petition of the Androscoggin Railroad Company, for amendment of charter, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Rufus P. Tapley and others, for an act to incorporate the Saco Water Supply Company ; and

Petition of A. C. Page and others, for an act to incorporate the Madagascal Dam Company, with bill, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Petition of Simon Ryarson and others ;

Petition of E. C. Long and others ;

Petition of D. Morgan and others ;

Petition of G. R. Allen and others ;

Petition of A. J. Tibbets and others—all for repeal of the law relating to the taking of porgies ;

Petition of A. P. Atherton, for authority to extend a fish weir into tide waters in the town of Tremont ;

Petition of E. D. and George Reed, for authority to extend a fish weir in the tide waters of Tremont ;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of the inhabitants of Grant Isle, praying that the State may purchase the lands from the proprietors ;

Petition of inhabitants of Dickeyville, for same ;

Petition of inhabitants of Madawaska, for same ;

Petition of Vital D'Aigle and others, for land to aid in building a saw-mill in township number 16, range 6, Aroostook county ;

Petition of Moses Rose and others, for an appropriation to build a road from Presque Isle to Chapman plantation ;

Petition of Daniel Everett and others, for abatement of taxes in Woodland plantation ;

Petition of H. Blackstone and others, for abatement of State taxes in Perham plantation ;

Were referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of James P. White and others, for charter of the Bangor Branch Railroad ;

Petition of Tobias Roberts and others, for a charter for telegraph from Somerville, in Mt. Desert, to Eden ;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of the inhabitants of Limington, for re-annexation of that portion of the town set off to Limerick ; and

Petition of David Townsend and 23 others, to be set off from Somerville to Washington ;

Were referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Petition of F. A. Wood and others, for incorporation of the East Lebanon Academy, was referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Daniel Wing, for incorporation of the Somerset Boom Company, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Bill "an act to amend the charter of the National Insurance Company of Bangor," was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of Assessors of Independence plantation, for an act of

incorporation as a town, was referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Petition of Joseph Granger, for increase of the salary of the County Attorney of Washington county; and

Petition of the County Commissioners of Penobscot county, for authority to procure a loan;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petitions of Sarah R. Thorn, Elnora Webber, Selina V. Mason and Alice May Mason, for change of names, were referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. COBB of Windham,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of repealing the law establishing County Supervisors of Schools.

On motion of Mr. HASKELL of Portland,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform be directed to inquire into the expediency of making provision for calling a Constitutional Convention for the purpose of revising the Constitution of the State.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. COUSENS of Kennebunkport, presented the following order:

Ordered, That there be added to the Committee for apportioning and districting the State for Senators and Representatives, five members from the minority part of the House, who shall be nominated by the Speaker.

The question being on passing the same, Mr. OSGOOD of Lewiston moved and the House ordered, that it be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, was refused a passage, by yeas 45, nays 65.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Berry of Damariscotta, Bliss, Bradbury, Brewer, Brown, Cleaves, Clook, Cousens, Cushing, Gannett, Goodwin, Gray, Greene of Temple, Harriman, Haskell of Portland, Hastings, Heath, Hinkley, Hobart, Hutchins, Johnson, Jones of Springfield, Keegan, Lane, Moore of Machiasport, Osgood of Lewiston, Patten, Pike, Potter, Rawson, Raynes, Reed of No. 11, Reynolds, Sanborn

of Bangor, Sewall, Smith of Parsonsfield, Snow, Stickney, Taber, Talbot, Taylor, Wall, Wass, Weed, Willard—45.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Andrews of Palmyra, Anderson, Atwell, Bartlett, Bean, Bird, Bishop, Bonney, Burgess, Buswell, Chase, Chapin, Clark of China, Clark of Lincoln, Colburn, Comins, Cram, Dingley, Drisco, Dustin, Ellis, Emery, Fish, Fitch, Foster, Getchell, Googins, Hacker, Hammond, Haskell of Garland, Hathaway, Hayden, Heal, Hill, Hobson, Hopkins of Bluehill, Knight, Martin, Mayo, Moores, Moore of Buckfield, Norcross, Nutter, Osgood of Durham, Palmer, Parsons, Perkins of Farmington, Robinson, Rodick, Sanborn of Kittery, Sayward, Severance, Simonton, Simpson, Skillin, Snowman, Stackpole, Stewart, Tebbets, Thompson of Dover, Thompson, of Trenton, White of Greenfield, Whitmore, Winter, Wyman—65.

Mr. NORCROSS of Charleston, presented the following order, which was indefinitely postponed on motion of Mr. CRAM of Brunswick:

Ordered, That the duties of the Committee on Apportionment shall be, to apportion the number of Senators and Representatives to each county, but not to classify the same.

On motion of Mr. COBB of Windham,

Ordered, That the Committee on Finance inquire into and make report at as early a day as possible, of the total expense to the State of the Board of Education, including cost of County Supervision, Teachers' Institutes, advertising, printing, and report the items.

Mr. HOBSON of Wiscasset, presented resolves relating to the war between Prussia and France, which were laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

The SPEAKER announced the Committee on Apportionment as follows:

Messrs. Johnson of Augusta,
Dingley of Auburn,
Stickney of Presque Isle,
Robie of Gorham,
Perkins of Farmington,
Hopkins of Bluehill,
Bird of Rockland,

Messrs. Moore of Buckfield,
Thompson of Dover,
Weed of Veazie,
Hobson of Wiscasset,
Patten of Bath,
Hathaway of Skowhegan,
Harriman of Belfast,
Hobart of Dennysville,
Sanborn of Kittery.

On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta,

Ordered, That the House proceed to vote for a United States Senator on Tuesday, January 17, 1871, at 11½ o'clock A. M.

Mr. ATWELL, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition, reported bill "an act authorizing P. S. J. Talbot to maintain a wharf in tide waters of East Machias."

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading.

Mr. SEWALL, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act to make valid the transfer of the Bangor, Oldtown and Milford Railroad to the European and North American Railway Company," reported ought to pass.

The report was read and accepted, and the bill ordered to be printed.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Cobb Lime Company," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. BLISS of Washington.

On motion of Mr. BURGESS of Portland,
Adjourned.

SUMNER. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 14, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. CRAM of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Communication from Hon. Thomas B. Reed, accepting the office of Attorney General ; and

Communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the Report of the Trustees and Superintendent of the Reform School, came from the Senate, and were read.

Petition of Alonzo Colby and others, for an act to incorporate the Bucksport Village Corporation, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Benjamin F. Bennett and others of Lyman, for the repeal of chapter 159, public laws of 1870, relating to the employment of teachers, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Samuel Hall, for title to a lot of land, came from the Senate referred to the Joint Select Committee appointed on lands held by the E. and N. A. Railway Company.

Bill "an act to prohibit consolidation of parallel or competing lines of railway," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Bill "an act to prevent the throwing of edgings, &c., into Kennebec river or its tributaries," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Order instructing the Committee on the Judiciary to inquire into the expediency of amending the laws relating to laying out, altering or widening town ways and private ways, so that the time may be limited within which the town meeting provided for shall be called.

Order directing the same Committee to inquire whether any further legislation is necessary in relation to giving power of sale in mortgages on real estate.

Order directing the Committee on Legal Reform to inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 93 of the public laws of 1870, in relation to the formation of corporations, so that the provisions of section 4, chapter 48 of the revised statutes, in relation to corporations organized under special act may apply to corporations organized under said chapter 93 of the public laws of 1870.

Order directing the Committee on Agriculture to inquire into the utility and feasibility of a system of storm warnings and signals, and if deemed advisable to report a resolution requesting Congress to test the plan in our State for the benefit of Agriculture and commerce.

The foregoing came from the Senate read and passed, and were read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of W. T. Emerson and others ; and

Petition of A. White and others—for repeal of the law regulating the taking of porgies ;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of Orrin McFadden and others, for incorporation of the Boothbay Ice Company, with bill ; also

Petition of R. A. and W. Friend of Brooklin, for leave to extend their wharf into tide waters ; and

Petition of Israel Michaud and others, for an act to prevent the throwing of slabs, &c., into the waters of Violette brook ;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Augustus D'Aigle and others of Fort Kent, for aid to build a bridge in said town ; and

Petition of inhabitants of Van Buren and Grant Isle, for aid in completing the road from Van Buren to Grant Isle ;

Were referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of inhabitants of Whitneyville, for change of time and place of holding the terms of the Supreme Judicial Court in Washington county, was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Bill "an act additional to an act incorporating the Calais Railway Company," was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

On motion of Mr. WILLARD of Mercer,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education be instructed to inquire into the expediency of having a uniformity of text-books in our common schools throughout the State.

On motion of Mr. REED of No. 11, R. 1,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the public laws relating to highways, as to oblige surveyors to lay down fences on north and west sides of highways, in exposed places in the winter, to prevent snow drifting.

On motion of Mr. BURGESS of Portland,

Ordered, That any Committee to which shall be referred any petition or act of incorporation for any company who are authorized to incorporate under existing laws, shall report the same back to the House or Senate with "leave to withdraw," and that this order be published in the Daily Kennebec Journal until February 1, 1871.

The foregoing petitions and orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. TALBOT, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebec and Chelsea Ice Company."

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice, and Monday assigned for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. COUSENS of Kennebunkport,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

MONDAY, JANUARY 16, 1871.

Met accoring to adjournment.

The SPEAKER being absent, the House was called to order by the Clerk.

On motion of Mr. KEEGAN of Madawaska,

Ordered, That in the absence of the Speaker, Percival Bonney, Esq., be Speaker *pro tem*.

Prayer by the Rev. Dr. RICKER of Augusta.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

The Clerk was charged with, and conveyed a message to the Senate and to the Governor and Council, informing them of the election of Pecival Bonney, Esq., as Speaker *pro tem*.

Papers from the Senate :

Ordered, That the Judiciary Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of providing by a general law that cities and towns may loan their credit in aid of manufactures.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the law relating to the laying out and construction of highways, that County Commissioners shall have authority to order the grading down of hills or filling up of ravines, on petition, the same as for laying out new roads.

These orders came from the Senate read and passed, and were read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Thomas Taylor, for authority to use steam power for transporting goods, &c., over certain highways in Farmington and New Sharon, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of inhabitants of Clinton, for an act to make valid the doings of said town; and

Remonstrance of Daniel Wells and others, against the same, Were referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of Charles A. White and others, for an act to incorpo-

rate the Kennebec and Moosehead Ice Company, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Bill "an act to authorize the Wesleyan Methodist Society of Augusta, to borrow money, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of John B. Coyle and others, for an act to set off a part of Westbrook to the city of Portland, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Petition of C. F. A. Johnston and others of Presque Isle and Maysville, for the union of said towns; and

Petition of C. Sweron and others of Dickeyville, for the change of the name of said town;

Were referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Madawaska Agricultural Society," was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WILLARD of Mercer,

Ordered, That the Committee on Military Affairs be instructed to inquire into the running expenses of the Adjutant General's department, and report if any reduction thereof is expedient.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Parsonsfield,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Printing be instructed to ascertain as far as practicable the amount and cost of printing done for the several State departments, also to consider what if any reduction it is expedient to make.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act authorizing P. S. J. Talbot and others, to maintain a wharf in tide waters"; and

Bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebec and Chelsea Ice Company," were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve in favor of Charles E. Avery," having had two several readings and passed to be engrossed, was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, finally passed, signed by the Speaker *pro tem.*, and sent to the Senate.

On motion Mr. HAMMOND of Paris,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The Speaker, Mr. SMITH, in the Chair.

Prayer by Mr. Osgood of the House.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Petition of Hatcil Delano, for authority to extend his wharf into tide waters in Verona, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior waters.

Petition of E. P. Hill, for an act to incorporate the Young Men's Mutual Life Insurance Company of Bucksport, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on Agriculture inquire into the expediency of repealing the law which prevents the sellers recovering for the price of pressed hay not branded.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of the inhabitants of Whitneyville, for repeal of the act changing time and place of holding court in Washington county, referred in the House to the Committee on Legal Reform, came back from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The House receded and concurred.

Petition of the Piscataquis Railroad Company, for extension of time to locate its road between Foxcroft and Moosehead Lake; also

Petition of E. R. Burpee and others, for an act to incorporate the Penobscot and Lake Megantic Railroad Company; also

Petition of Chandler Noyes and others of Burnham, for an act to authorize the County Commissioners of Waldo county to repair a bridge in said town; and

Petition of George Fickett and others of Cape Elizabeth, for

authority to construct a railroad from Simonton cove to lines of railway approaching Portland harbor;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of the inhabitants of Charleston, Corinth, Bradford, Hudson, Alton and Lagrange, for incorporation of the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society;

Petition of Albert Noyes and others, for incorporation of the Penobscot County Poultry Society, with bill;

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of N. B. Nutt and others, for repeal of an act changing time and place of holding court in Washington county; also

Bill "an act in relation to reviews and new trials"; and

Bill "an act to confirm the doings of the Maine Missionary Society and incorporate the same";

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of D. F. Leavitt and others, for incorporation of the East Branch Company; also

Petition of G. L. Boynton and others, for incorporation of the West Branch Dam and Improvement Company; also

Petition of William H. Danforth, for authority to extend his wharf in Bristol; also

Petition of William F. Garcelon and others, for amendment of the charter of the Auburn Aqueduct Company; and

Petition of C. G. Sterns, for authority to extend the limits of the Bangor Boom;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Isaiah Stetson and others, for State aid to repair the road from Monson to Moosehead Lake; and

Petition of J. A. Flint and others of Dalton, for aid to build a road between said town and Castle Hill;

Were referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of Orrin Gilpatrick and others, for division of Somerville and annexation to Windsor, Jefferson and Washington, was referred to the Committee on Division of Counties.

Petition of Isaac Bearce, to be set off from Meddybemps to Baring; and

Petition of Francis Milliken, for an act to set off Wood's and Tupper's islands from Biddeford to Saco;

Were referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Petition of Richard Mace and others, for an act to incorporate the Maine Eclectic Medical Infirmary, was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of the Second Universalist Society of Portland, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Passamaquoddy Indians, for an appropriation, was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of Mary Sweet, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Mr. CLEAVES of Portland, presented the following order, which was tabled, on motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais :

Ordered, That all matters in the morning business upon which members desire to be heard, shall be laid aside until the expiration of the morning hour, and then called up in their order.

On motion of Mr. STICKNEY of Presque Isle,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be directed to furnish this House with an official copy of the census of the several cities, towns, plantations and other inhabited places in this State for 1870, and that 300 copies be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. LAMB, from the Committee on Legal Reform, reported reference to the Committee on Manufactures, on petition of the town of Clinton, for an act to legalize the doings of said town.

Mr. HEATH, from the same Committee, reported legislation inexpedient, on order relating to laying down of fences to prevent snow drifts.

The reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HOBART of Dennysville,

Ordered, That in voting for United States Senator, this day, each member, as his name is called by the Clerk, shall rise in his place and give his vote.

The hour having arrived to vote for a Senator in the Congress of the United States for the term of six years from the fourth day of March next, in the place of Hon. Lot M. Morrill, and this being the second Tuesday subsequent to the meeting and organization of the Legislature of this State, the day designated by an act of Congress, entitled "an act to regulate the time and manner of holding

elections for Senators in Congress, approved July 25, A. D. 1866," the House proceeded openly and by a *viva voce* vote of each member present, on call of the roll, to name a person for Senator in Congress from this State, and with the following result:

Whole number of votes.....	133
Lot M. Morrill had.....	99
Abram Sanborn.....	27
Joshua L. Chamberlain.....	6
Richard D. Rice.....	1

LOT M. MORRILL had a majority of all the votes.

Those who voted for Hon. Lot M. Morrill were—

Messrs. Andrews of Otisfield, Andrews of Palmyra, Anderson, Atwell, Bartlett, Bean, Bird, Bishop, Blossom, Bliss, Bonney, Bragdon, Brewer, Burgess, Buswell, Carleton, Carver, Chase, Chapin, Clark of China, Clark of Lincoln, Colburn, Comins, Crehore, Deering, Dingley, Drisco, Dustin, Ellis, Emery, Ervin, Fish, Fitch, Foster, Gannett, Goodwin, Googins, Green of Wilton, Hacker, Hammond, Harriman, Haskell of Garland, Hathaway, Hayden, Heal, Hobart, Hodgdon, Holt, Hopkins of Bluehill, Johnson, Jones of Norway, Knight, Lamb, Lord, Martin Mayo, Minot, Mooers, Moore of Buckfield, Norcross, Nutter, Osgood of Durham, Palmer, Parsons, Patten, Perkins of Poland, Perkins of Farmington, Pike, Potter, Ray, Reed of No. 11, Robinson, Rodick, Sanborn of Kittery, Sayward, Severance, Simonton, Simpson, Skillin, Smith of Saco, Smith of Parsonsfield, Snow, Snowman, Stackpole, Stickney, Stewart, Taber, Taylor, Tebbetts, Thompson of Trenton, Thompson of Dover, Wagg, Wall, White of Greenfield, Whitmore, Willard, Winter, Woodbury, Wyman—99.

Those who voted for Abram Sanborn were—

Messrs. Adams, Berry of Damariscotta, Berry of Buxton, Blanchard, Bradbury, Brown, Burnham, Clook, Cushing, Gray, Greene of Temple, Hastings, Hinkley, Moore of Machiasport, Osgood of Lewiston, Rawson, Raynes, Reed of Waldoborough, Reynolds, Sewall, Stover, Strickland, Talbot, Wass, Weed, White of Winterport, Wilson—27.

Those who voted for Joshua L. Chamberlain were—

Messrs. Cleaves, Haskell of Portland, Hill, Jones of Springfield, Keegan, Lane—6.

The gentleman who voted for Richard D. Rice, was Abram Sanborn.

The following members were absent—

Messrs. Cobb, Cousens, Cram, Getchell, Goodrich, Hagar, Heath, Hobson, Hopkins of Mt. Vernon, Hutchins, Jenkins, Knapp, Mahony, Partridge, Robie, Wadsworth, Whitehouse, Whiting—18.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Cobb Lime Company," was taken from the table on motion of Mr. BLISS of Washington, and ordered to be printed on motion of Mr. REED of Waldoborough.

On motion of Mr. WILSON of Thomaston,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The SPEAKER being absent, the House was called to order by the Clerk.

On motion of Mr. JONES of Norway,

Ordered, That in the absence of the Speaker, Percival Bonney, Esq., be Speaker *pro tem*.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. FULLER of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

On motion of Mr. CARLETON of Whitefield, that gentleman was charged with a message to the Senate informing that branch of the appointment of Percival Bonney, Esq., Speaker *pro tem*.

The Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message of the same import to the Governor and Council.

Papers from the Senate:

Petition of F. E. Shaw, for an act to authorize the County Commissioners of Oxford county to reassess certain taxes in said county; and

Bill "an act to amend section 17, chapter 124 of the revised statutes, relating to disturbance of religious meetings," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of Albion K. P. Lord, for railroad from the Portland and Rochester Railroad to Bonny Eagle Falls, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Order directing the Committee on Pensions to examine the claim of the widow of the late William M. Jordan, to the payment of the pension granted by resolve of 1859, chapter 219.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of legal voters of Clinton, for an act to make valid the doings of said town, also remonstrance against the same, referred by the House to the Committee on Legal Reform, came back from the Senate referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of C. F. A. Johnson and others, for the union of Presque Isle and Maysville, referred by the House to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, came back from the Senate referred to the Aroostook Delegation.

The House receded and concurred in the reference of the foregoing.

Petition of the Selectmen of Houlton, for reimbursement of money paid the State for filling quota of said town in 1864, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of Cyrus Cook, for repeal of the law relating to employment of teachers;

Remonstrance of Charles Wentworth and others of Clinton; and Remonstrance of M. B. Pinkham and others of Lincoln—against repeal of the same;

Petition of Trustees of Mattanawcook Academy, for aid;

Petition of Trustees of Lee Normal Academy, for an appropriation;

Bill "an act relating to the Literary Fraternity and Philomathean Society";

Bill "an act surrendering the charter of the Maine State Seminary";

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of W. R. Ayer and others of Lincoln, for an act to authorize cities and towns to aid manufactures;

Bill "an act in addition to the acts incorporating the European and North American Railway Company"; and

Bill "an act authorizing towns to hold funds in trust for certain useful purposes";

Petition of the Selectmen of Pittsfield; and

Petition of Thomas S. Dexter and others, for an act to make valid the doings of said town;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Remonstrance of inhabitants of Limerick, against setting off any portion of said town to Limington; and

Remonstrance of Leander Staples, against the same;

Remonstrance of George W. Hammond and 702 others, against the division of the town of Westbrook;

Were referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Credentials of Newell Neptune, Delegate of the Penobscot Indians; and

Credentials of John Gaubriel, Delegate of the Passamaquoddy Indians;

Petitions of the Penobscot Indians, for appropriations; and

Petition of Passamaquoddy Indians, for appropriations;

Were referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Petition of Enoch Cousens and others, for charter for the Portland and York Shore Line Railroad Company; and

Petition of William M. Clark and others, for change of the location of the bridge from Rutherford's Island in Bristol;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Zenas F. Yates and others, for authority to extend their wharf in Bremen; also

Petition of Edgar Day and others of Waldoborough, for amendment of an act to prevent the throwing of edgings, &c., into the Medomak river; and

Petition of Samuel B. Farnsworth and others of Wells, for authority to locate a way across the Webhannet river in said town;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Eureka Slate Company," was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of G. M. Burleigh and others, for change of the location of the road leading from Monson to Moosehead lake;

Petition of Edward Gray and others of Dickeyville, praying that the State may purchase their land from the proprietors; and

Petition of Edward Gray and others, for aid to repair road in Dickeyville;

Were referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of Eliza J. Daniels, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. HARRIMAN of Belfast,

Ordered, That the papers and records of the last session relating to the subject of warming the State House by steam, be taken from the files and referred to the Committee on Public Buildings.

On motion of Mr. CRAM of Brunswick,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform be directed to inquire into the expediency of providing by law, that all blanks for election and other purposes, shall be sent direct by the Secretary of State to the several towns in the State, instead of as now provided, through the sheriffs.

On motion of Mr. WILSON of Thomaston,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the expediency of so amending the tax law, that all over—deposited by any person in any savings bank in this State shall be taxed.

On motion of Mr. CLARK of Lincoln,

Ordered, That, whereas, the Legislature of this State by an act to incorporate the Maine General Hospital, approved February 24, 1868, chartered an institution which by its charter is to all intents and purposes a private corporation, and by a resolve in favor of the Maine General Hospital, approved March 19, 1870, donated in lands and money to that institution an amount nearly or quite \$40,000, and to the end that the benefits of that institution may be made certain to the people of this State, the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire if any further legislation is necessary to secure such result.

On motion of Mr. SEWALL of Oldtown,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire if further legislation is necessary to provide suitable remedies for sale of the property and franchises of corporations on execution.

On motion of Mr. GANNETT of Bath,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of establishing by law a lien upon the franchise and other property of railroad companies, whereby compensation shall be secured to persons doing work and service in the construction of the roads of such companies.

On motion of Mr. WILSON of Thomaston,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the necessity of legislation on the notice to be given on petitions to County Commissioners for assessment of land damages on account of railroads passing over lands.

On motion of Mr. COMINS of Eddington,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending the law of 1870 in relation to the employment of teachers, so that any town at its annual meeting may decide that its school teachers shall be employed by school agents.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. STICKNEY of Presque Isle,

Ordered, That immediately after the reading of the Journal on each day, the roll of the House be called, and every member who shall not answer to his name or report himself to the Clerk before 11 o'clock, shall have \$2.00 deducted from his pay unless he shall have leave of absence from the House.

On motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais,

Ordered, That the Committees of this Legislature be directed to report finally on or before the first Monday in February.

The foregoing were laid on the table.

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of Francis Bacon, for change of law relating to election of Clerks of Courts, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. PIKE, from the same Committee, reported reference to the Washington County Delegation, on the petition of the County Commissioners of said county, in relation to their pay.

The foregoing reports were read and accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. PIKE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act authorizing railroad companies to fix the number of directors."

The report was read and accepted, and the bill ordered to be printed under rule.

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass in a new draft, on bill "an act to authorize the Methodist Society of Augusta to borrow money."

Mr. PIKE, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to make valid the acts and doings of the town of Denmark."

Mr. TALBOT, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Boothbay Ice Company."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned.

Printed bill "an act to make valid the transfer of the Bangor, Oldtown and Milford Railroad to the European and North American Railway Company," was read twice, and Tuesday next assigned.

Mr. MAHONEY of Newcastle, was excused from service on the Committee on Public Buildings, and Mr. Hammond of Paris, appointed to fill the vacancy.

"Resolve providing for the Maine State Year Book and Annual Register," was taken from the table, debated, and again tabled, on motion of Mr. CARLETON of Whitefield.

A message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Lane, its Secretary, proposing that the Convention of the two branches of the Legislature, required by law of Congress to be holden this day, at 12 o'clock meridian, to declare the vote for United States Senator, be in the Representatives' Hall.

The Clerk was charged with, and conveyed a message to the Senate, signifying the concurrence of the House in the proposition.

The hour of 12 meridian having arrived, the time fixed by an act of Congress for the two houses of the Legislature to meet in Joint Assembly, for the purpose of comparing the votes cast for a Senator in Congress for the term of six years from the 4th of March next, the Senate came in, and a Convention formed.

IN CONVENTION.

So much of the Journal of each House of the preceding day as relates to votes cast for United States Senator, was read, and Hon. Lot M. Morrill having received a majority of all the votes in each House, was declared duly elected Senator in the Congress of the United States for the term of six years, commencing on the 4th of March next.

On motion of Mr. FOSTER of the Senate,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Convention be directed to inform the Governor that Lot M. Morrill has been duly elected by the Legislature a Senator in Congress from this State.

The Convention dissolved, and the Senate retired.

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER.

On motion of Mr. WHITE of Greenfield,
Adjourned.

SUMNER. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. CRANE of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Bill "an act to provide for calling a Convention to revise or amend the Constitution of the State of Maine," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of Jesse Smith, for State aid, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Petition of Jesse Smith, praying that the Land Agent be authorized to sell him a lot of land in Silver Ridge, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of F. M. Lufkin and others, for continuance of the law protecting fish in Lufkin's pond in Phillips, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of Penobscot Indians, for appointment of an agent at Lincoln and for appropriation for school-house, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, in relation to giving power of sale in mortgages on real estate, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on petition, reporting bill "an act to authorize the Lincoln Ice Company of Richmond to increase its capital stock and to legalize the wharf built by said company."

The foregoing reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted, bill read twice and to-morrow assigned for the third reading.

Communication from the Treasurer of State in response to an order of the House relating to sale of land appropriated as a normal school fund, was received, and ordered to be printed on motion of Mr. SEWALL of Oldtown.

Petition of Jotham Allen and others, for charter for a railroad from some point on the Portland, Saco and Portsmouth Railroad in Wells to the Portland and Rochester Railroad in Alfred; also

Petition of Wiscasset Bridge Company, for amendment of charter; and

Bill "an act additional to and amendatory of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad Company";

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of William W. Virgin and others of Norway, for an act to exempt certain property from taxation in said town, with bill; and

Bill "an act regulating transfer of actions from State courts to courts of the United States;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of citizens of Bradford, for incorporation of the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society; and

Petition of citizens of Hudson, for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of James C. Madigan, for change of the valuation of Letter B, R. 2, Aroostook; and

Petition of Joshua Chamberlain of Brewer, praying that the Land Agent be authorized to locate land under certificate issued by resolves of 1838;

Were referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of Jonathan Haskell and others, for change of law in relation to division of partition fences; and

Petition of John F. Randall and others, for change of name of the Cape Elizabeth Steam Ferry Company;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of M. S. Drummond and others, for an act to incorporate the Katahdin Company; and

Petition of A. L. Frohock and others, for authority to extend their wharf in Lincolnville;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Benjamin Lowell, for pension, was referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Petition of Luther Fitch, for an act to set off certain land from Baldwin to Sebago, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Bill "an act to reduce the valuation of the town of Veazie and add the same to the city of Bangor," was referred to the Penobscot County Delegation.

Petition of R. Conforth and others, for repeal of the law of 1870 relating to the employment of teachers, was referred to the Committee on Education.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HAMMOND of Paris,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the expediency of repealing the law of 1870, relating to the appointment of highway surveyors.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON of Dover,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of repealing sections 5, 6, 7 and 8, of chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to bounty on wolves and bears.

On motion of Mr. KNAPP of East Livermore,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire as to what further legislation is necessary to compel railroad corpora-

tions to keep their crossings safe and convenient for the public travel, and to make them responsible to towns that have been obliged to pay damages to individuals in consequence of their defective crossings.

On motion of Mr. CREHORE of Lincolnville,

Ordered, That the Committee on Fisheries inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 70, section 12, laws of 1869.

On motion of Mr. WILSON of Thomaston,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State furnish the Committee on the Judiciary with copies of the prepared revised statutes for their use.

The foregoing orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BIRD of Rockland,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be requested to furnish for the information of the House, the amount of the cost for the printing and binding of the Report of the Secretary of the Board of Agriculture for the year 1869, printed in 1870.

On motion of Mr. CLARK of Lincoln,

Ordered, That the Governor be requested to furnish for the information of the House, the accounts of the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum, which were required to be submitted for the approval of the Governor and Council by a resolve in favor of that institution, approved March 18, 1870.

On motion of Mr. CARLETON of Whitefield,

Ordered, That the Committee on Rules and Orders be instructed to report the following list: Members of the Executive Department, Members of the Senate, Members of the House, Joint Committees, Rules and Orders of the House, Joint Rules and Orders, State Valuation of 1870 and the Censes of 1870, and no other subject matter, which said list shall be printed and stitched in the usual manner, and 350 copies furnished for the use of this and the next House of Representatives.

This order was tabled, on motion of Mr. CARLETON.

Mr. CARLETON, from the Committee on Elections, on petition of Samuel L. Tryon, to be admitted to a seat in this House as Representative from Falmouth and Pownal, instead of Isaac S. Brown, reported leave to withdraw.

The report was read and accepted.

Mr. HACKER, from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on petition, reported bill "an act to change the name of the town of Dickeyville to Frenchville."

Mr. SMITH, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition, reported bill "an act to set off John Walker and his estate from the South Paris Village Corporation."

Printed bill "an act to authorize railroad companies to fix the number of directors."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and tomorrow assigned for the third reading.

Mr. GANNETT, from the Committee on Pensions, on bill "an act to revise and continue in force chapter 170, laws of 1868, entitled an act authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen," reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

The report was read and accepted, and the bill ordered to be printed under joint rule.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Boothbay Ice Company";

Bill "an act to make valid the acts and doings of the town of Denmark";

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, the latter amended as per sheet "A," and each passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to authorize the Wesleyan Methodist Society of Augusta, to borrow money," was reported and read the third time, and recommitted, on motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Cobb Lime Company," was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. REED of Waldoborough, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Order directing the Committees of the Legislature to report finally on the first Monday of February, was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais, amended by inserting the tenth day of February instead of the first Monday of February, passed, and sent to the Senate.

Order relating to publishing the Rules and Orders, was taken from the table.

Mr. CARLETON of Whitefield, proposed the following order as an amendment :

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House, report a list of the following subject matter: Members of the Executive Departments, Members of the Senate, Members of the House, Committees of the Senate, Committees of the House, Joint Committees, Rules and Orders of the Senate and of the House, Joint Rules and Orders, State Valuation of 1870 and the Census of 1870, vote for Governor and Members of Congress for 1870 and Census of 1860, and no other subject matter, which list shall be printed and stitched in the usual manner, and 500 copies furnished for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. HUTCHINS of Brewer moved an adjournment.

Mr. SEWALL of Oldtown, moved, and the House ordered, that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, refused to adjourn, by yeas 31, nays 90.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Andrews of Otisfield, Anderson, Berry of Buxton, Bishop, Bragdon, Brewer, Burgess, Clark of Lincoln, Cleaves, Cobb, Colburn, Comins, Cushing, Ellis, Gannett, Greene of Temple, Hacker, Haskell of Portland, Hathaway, Hayden, Hill, Hutchins, Jones of Norway, Knight, Nutter, Potter, Robinson, Stewart, Wall, Willard, Woodbury—31.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Adams, Andrews of Palmyra, Atwell, Bartlett, Bean, Bird, Blossom, Bonney, Bradbury, Brown, Buswell, Carleton, Carver, Chase, Clark of China, Clook, Cousens, Cram, Crehore, Deering, Dingley, Drisco, Dustin, Emery, Fish, Fitch, Foster, Goodwin, Googins, Gray, Green of Wilton, Hammond, Harriman, Haskell of Garland, Hastings, Heal, Heath, Hobson, Hodgdon, Holt, Hopkins of Bluehill, Hopkins of Mt. Vernon, Jenkins, Johnson, Keegan, Lamb, Lord, Martin, Mayo, Minot, Moores, Moore of Buckfield, Osgood of Lewiston, Osgood of Durham, Parsons, Patten, Perkins of Poland, Perkins of Farmington, Pike, Rawson, Ray, Raynes, Reed of Waldoborough, Reed of No. 11, Reynolds, Robie, Rodick, Sanborn of Kittery, Sayward, Sewall, Severance, Simonton, Simpson, Skillin, Snowman, Stickney, Storer, Strickland, Taber, Talbot, Taylor, Thompson of Dover, Thompson of Trenton, Wadsworth, Wagg, Weed, White of Winterport, White of Greenfield, Whitmore, Wilson, Wyman—90.

The amendment was adopted ; and pending the passage of the order, the House, on motion of Mr. WILSON of Thomaston, Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. HEATH of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Bill "an act to incorporate the Cobbossee Ice Company," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of the inhabitants of Brunswick, for repeal of the law of 1870 relating to the employment of school teachers, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education.

Remonstrance of the Selectmen of Westbrook, against the annexation of any part of Westbrook to the city of Portland, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Petition of Cyrus Cook and others, for repeal of the law relating to the employment of teachers, and the law relating to appointment of highway surveyors, referred in the House to the Committee on Education, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

The House insisted, on motion of Mr. BURGESS of Portland.

Order directing the Committee on the Judiciary to inquire into the expediency of prohibiting by law private bankers in this State taking the name of savings banks, or advertising themselves as such.

Order referring the Report of the Bank Examiner to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Order directing the Secretary of State to furnish the Legislature the expense to the State incurred on account of any and all investigations of paper credits made prior to this date.

These orders came from the Senate read and passed, and were read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of Jackson Dockendorff, for a lot of land, reporting leave to withdraw; also

Reporting same on petition of James A. Drew, for reimbursement of money paid the State in 1859.

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, and were read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Joint Special Committee on Treasurer's Report, came from the Senate read and accepted, and is as follows:

We have fully examined the books and accounts in the Treasurer's office and find that they have been carefully kept and correctly cast, and accompanied with the necessary vouchers, and that they agree with the exhibit made by the Treasurer in his said report. Your Committee agreeably to requirements of law have destroyed, by burning, all bonds and coupons paid by the Treasurer the past year, the amount of the former being \$33,000, and of the latter \$452,991. A record of the same has been made upon the books of the Treasurer. GEO. E. MINOT, *Chairman*.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition, reporting in a new draft and that it ought to pass, bill "an act to make valid the doings of Josiah True as a Justice of the Peace."

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on petition of James Atkins, reporting bill "an act to authorize the city of Hallowell to aid in the construction of a steam saw-mill in said city."

Report of the same Committee, reporting ought to pass on bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Laconia Company."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted, bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for the third reading.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State in response to an order of the House, transmitting schedule of the cost of printing the Report of the Secretary of the Board of Agriculture for the year 1869, amounting in the aggregate to the sum

of \$8,494.46, which was read and ordered to be printed on motion of Mr. BIRD of Rockland.

Petition of David Fernald and others, for amendment of the law relating to the inspection of fish ;

Petition of A. R. Spear and others ; and

Petition of E. C. Chatto and others, for repeal of the law regulating the taking of porgies ;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of B. Beal and others, for incorporation of the Phillips Mutual Fire Insurance Company ;

Bill "an act to extend the charter of the Rockland Fire and Marine Insurance Company";

Were referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of the municipal officers of Kingsbury, for an act to make valid the doings of said town ; and

Bill "an act additional to an act entitled an act to enable the banks of this State to become banking associations under the laws of the United States, approved February 24, 1865";

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of the Selectmen of Fort Fairfield, for abatement of State taxes ; also

Petition of J. E. Thompson and others, for an appropriation to the town of Phillips in aid of repairing a bridge in said town ; and

Petition of inhabitants of Madawaska District, for an appropriation to complete the road leading through the first range of towns in Aroostook county ;

Were referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of the Directors of Alfred Bank, for extension of time to close its affairs, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of Eliphalet Clark and others, for annexation of part of the town of Westbrook to the city of Portland, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Petition of George W. Hammond and others, for an act to prevent the throwing of edgings and other refuse into Presumpscot river, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of J. H. Whitten and others of Etna, for repeal of the

law of 1870 relating to the employment of school teachers, was referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of the Directors of the Portland and Rochester Railroad Company, for change of charter, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of O. W. Means and others, for repeal of the law changing the time and place of holding court in Washington county, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of Susie E. Benner, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. RAWSON of Bangor,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of passing a law defining the time within which all private acts of incorporation shall be null and void, unless said corporation shall have organized and commenced actual business under its charter.

On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 70 of the public laws of 1869, by adding to the exemptions made by sections 29 and 30, "the Kennebec river, within the limits of Augusta."

On motion of Mr. HOBART of Dennysville,

Ordered, That the Committee on Printing and Binding be directed to inquire into the expediency of reporting a resolve fixing the number to be printed of all reports of all public officers and public institutions which are printed at the expense of the State.

The order was amended on motion of Mr. SEWALL of Oldtown, by adding the words, "and prescribing what portion of such reports shall be printed," and passed.

The foregoing orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. HASKELL, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on order relating to taxing surplus profits in banks, reported legislation inexpedient.

Mr. LORD, from the Committee on the Judiciary, made the same report, on order relating to liens of persons cutting, peeling and making or hauling hemlock bark.

Mr. WILSON, from the same Committee, reported same, on

order relating to lien on the franchise and other property of railroads.

These reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. HOBART, from the Committee on Finance, on order relating to the annual expense of the Board of Education, reported information on the subject.

The report was read and accepted, and ordered to be printed, on motion of Mr. PATTEN of Bath.

Mr. PATTEN, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Passadumkeag Railroad Company."

The same member, from same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Old Orchard Railroad Company."

Mr. WOODBURY, from the same Committee, on petition of E. R. Burpee, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot and Lake Megantic Railroad Company."

Mr. ROBIE, from the same Committee, reported ought to pass on bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Calais Railway Company, and the several acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof."

Mr. SEWALL, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act granting further time to the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company to complete its road."

Mr. ADAMS, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Peak's Island Steamboat Company."

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to confirm the doings of the Maine Missionary Society and to incorporate said society."

Mr. SANBORN, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reported same on bill "an act to amend the charter of the National Insurance Company of Bangor."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading.

Bill "an act to change the name of the town of Dickeyville to Frenchville."

Bill "an act to authorize railroad companies to fix the number of directors."

Bill "an act to set off John Walker and his estates from the South Paris Village Corporation."

The foregoing bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to authorize the Lincoln Ice Company to increase their capital stock and to legalize the wharf built by said company," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebec and Chelsea Ice Company."

Bill "an act authorizing P. S. J. Talbot and Company to maintain a wharf in tide waters of East Machias."

These bills having had three several readings and passed to be engrossed, were reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker *pro tem.* and sent to the Senate.

A message was received from the Senate by Mr. Lane, its Secretary, proposing a Convention of the Legislature, this day, at 11½ o'clock A. M., for the purpose of electing a Treasurer of State for the current fiscal year.

The Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate concurring in the proposition for a Convention.

The hour having arrived, the Senate came in and a Convention formed.

IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. LANE of the Senate,

Messrs. Lane of Cumberland, Rolfe of Washington, Atwell of Orono, Hammond of Paris, Skillin of North Yarmouth, Haskell of Portland, and Rawson of Bangor, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Treasurer of State for the current fiscal year.

Mr. LANE, from the Committee, reported:

Whole number of votes.....	141
Necessary for a choice	71

William Caldwell had 115

John M. Goodwin..... 26

The report was read and accepted, and William Caldwell declared duly elected Treasurer of State for the current fiscal year.

On motion of Mr. FULLER of the Senate,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Convention be directed to notify William Caldwell that he has been duly elected Treasurer of State for the current fiscal year.

The purpose for which the Convention assembled having been accomplished, it was dissolved, and the Senate retired.

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER.

The House resumed consideration of the order relating to publishing the Rules and Orders, under discussion yesterday at the hour of adjournment.

The order was passed, and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve providing for the Maine State Year Book and Annual Register," was taken from the table, and indefinitely postponed, on motion of Mr. CARLETON of Whitefield.

On motion of Mr. BRAGDON of York,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. STOCKBRIDGE of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Bill "an act to authorize the formation and regulation of railroad corporations"; and

Petition of N. G. Hichborn and others, for an act to amend the charter of the Penobscot Bay and River Railroad, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of David Dudley, praying that the Land Agent be authorized to convey to him a lot of land in Mapleton plantation ; and

Petition of the Assessors of St. Albans, for reduction of State valuation, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of E. H. Hill and others, for incorporation of the Lewiston School for Medical Instruction, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 58 of the laws of 1869, relating to true meridian lines," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Order directing the Secretary of State to furnish the Committee on the Judiciary with the proposed revised statutes, came back from the Senate amended, by adding "the Committee on Legal Reform."

The order was amended and passed in concurrence.

Petition of David Townsend and others, to be set off from Somerville to Washington, referred by the House to the Committee on Division of Towns, came back from the Senate referred to the Committee on Division of Counties.

The House concurred.

Order relating to repair of the road across Indian township, in Washington county.

Order authorizing the Committees on State Prison, Insane Hospital and Reform School, to visit those institutions.

These orders came from the Senate read, and passed, and were read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on order inquiring into the expediency of providing that the Secretary of State shall distribute blanks for election and other purposes direct to towns, instead of to sheriffs, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on order relating to pressed hay not branded, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting same, on order relating to laying out, altering or widening town ways.

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, and were read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, on credentials of John Gaubriel, reporting "resolve in favor of John Gaubriel."

Report of same Committee, reporting "resolve in favor of Newell Neptune."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, resolves read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, resolves read twice under suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Petition of John Hodgdon and others of the National Military Asylum, for the right to vote ;

Petition of Solomon B. Foster and others, for an act to make valid the doings of the Free Baptist Society of Gray ;

Petition of Israel W. Johnson, for an act to legalize his acts as Justice of the Peace and Quorum ; and

Petition of inhabitants of Deblois, for repeal of the law changing the time and place of holding court in Washington county ;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Martin Delano and 829 others, citizens of Hampden, Winterport, Frankfort, Stockton, Searsport, Bucksport, Orrington, Orland, Castine and Verona ; and

Petition of Mrs. Lucy Delano and 672 others, ladies of Hampden,

Winterport, Stockton, Bucksport, Orrington, Orland and Verona, for repeal of the law prohibiting the throwing of drift wood into Penobscot river;

Petition of Thomas F. Rowe and others, for same;

Petition of I. F. McClench, for authority to build a wharf at Shephard's Point in Hallowell;

Petition of Nathaniel G. Marshall, for authority to erect a wharf in York river, with bill accompanying;

Bill "an act extending the time within which the Pushaw Dam Company may complete works, as per charter";

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Sharon Robinson, for repeal of the law of 1870, relating to the employment of school teachers, was referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of citizens of Garland and Exeter, for incorporation of the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society; and

Petition of B. W. Blanchard, for incorporation of the Carroll Trotting Park;

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of J. H. Bradford and others, for incorporation of the Aroostook Railroad Company, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Lewis Davis and another of Readfield, for change of the law relating to division of partition fences, was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of William Wood Denhirst, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. GANNETT of Bath,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of farther legislation in order to empower the overseers of the poor of any town to restrain the husband and father of a family from mispending his earnings, and secure the same to his family who are paupers.

The order was sent to the Senate.

Mr. TALBOT, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition, reported bill "an act to prevent the throwing of slabs, edgings and refuse lumber into the waters of Violette brook in Van Buren."

Mr. ATWELL, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize Z. F. Yates and others to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Muscongus harbor."

Mr. CRAM, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on petition of John T. Berry, reported bill "an act to extend the time for the Lime Rock Bank to accept the provisions of an act to renew the charters of certain banks," approved March 17, 1870.

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and Monday assigned.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Peak's Island Steamboat Company," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, amended as per sheet "A" on motion of Mr. BURGESS of Portland, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot and Lake Megantic Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Passadumkeag Railroad Company."

Bill "an act granting further time to the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company to complete their road."

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Calais Railway Company and the several acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof."

Bill "an act to amend the charter of the National Insurance Company of Bangor."

Bill "an act to confirm the doings of the Maine Missionary Society and incorporate said Society."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to authorize the city of Hallowell to aid in the construction of a steam saw-mill in said city," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and indefinitely postponed on motion of Mr. CRAM of Brunswick, by yeas 76, nays 4.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams, Anderson, Atwell, Bartlett, Blanchard, Bonney, Bragdon, Brewer, Carver, Chase, Clark of China, Cleaves, Clook,

Cobb, Colburn, Comins, Cram, Crehore, Cushing, Drisco, Dustin, Emery, Ervin, Fish, Gannett, Getchell, Googins, Green of Wilton, Hacker, Hammond, Harriman, Haskell of Garland, Hathaway, Heal, Hill, Hobart, Hodgdon, Holt, Hopkins of Bluehill, Hopkins of Mt. Vernon, Hutchins, Jenkins, Johnson, Jones of Springfield, Keegan, Knapp, Knight, Moores, Norcross, Parsons, Patten, Perkins of Poland, Perkins of Farmington, Pike, Ray, Raynes, Reed of Waldoborough, Reed of No. 11, Robinson, Rodick, Sayward, Skillin, Smith of Parsonsfield, Snowman, Storer, Talbot, Thompson of Trenton, Wadsworth, Wagg, Wass, Whitehouse, White of Winterport, White of Greenfield, Whitmore, Wilson, Willard—76.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Clark of Lincoln, Stickney, Taylor, Wall—4.

Bill “an act to make valid the acts of Josiah True, as a Justice of the Peace.”

Bill “an act to increase the capital stock of the Laconia Company.”

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Order directing that all matters in the morning business exciting debate, to be laid aside until the expiration of the morning hour, was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. CLEAVES of Portland, and passed.

On motion of Mr. WHITE of Greenfield,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

MONDAY, JANUARY 23, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

No chaplain present.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Order directing the Committee on the Judiciary to inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 70 of the public laws of 1869, by adding to the exemptions made by sections 29 and 30, "the Kennebec river, within the limits of Augusta," came back from the Senate amended, by striking out the word "Judiciary" and inserting "Fisheries," and passed.

The amendment was adopted, and the order passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on petition, reporting bill "an act authorizing the County Commissioners of the County of Oxford to re-assess certain taxes," came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading.

Petition of J. E. Brown and others, for repeal of the law of 1870 relating to employment of school teachers ; and

Petition of Abraham Andrews and others of Fryeburg, for same ; and

Petition of the Trustees of Presque Isle Academy, for aid to build a new academy building ;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of the inhabitants of the town of Cherryfield, for an act to authorize said town to take stock or loan its credit to aid manufactures in said town, was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of Isaac West of Steuben, for authority to build a fish weir in Pigeon Hill bay in said town, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of M. E. Pierce and others of Boothbay, for authority

to extend their wharf in said town, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of citizens of Corinth, for incorporation of the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Bill "an act to incorporate a Home for Poor and Indigent Women in Augusta," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of Elsie Banks, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. BERRY of Damariscotta,

Ordered, That the Committee on Interior Waters be requested to inquire into the expediency of so amending the laws relating to interior waters, as to allow manufacturing corporations to flow the flats and marshes of salt water rivers, referring the questions of land damages to county commissioners, as in case of railroads and highways, &c.

On motion of Mr. BLISS of Washington,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of authorizing the clerks of courts to furnish all trial justices in their respective counties, blank writs and mittimus.

On motion of Mr. WILSON of Thomaston,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of passing a law requiring the same Judge to preside at least at two successive terms of the Supreme Judicial Court in any county, unless prevented by sickness or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of providing by law that no person shall recover damages on account of defective highways, who has his residence in a place where no such liability on the part of towns and parishes exist.

On motion of Mr. WAGG of Danville,

Ordered, That the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance inquire into the expediency of exempting town insurance companies from taxation.

On motion of Mr. HACKER of Fort Fairfield,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the

expediency of protecting by law the bridges over the Aroostook river.

The foregoing orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais,

Ordered, That the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court be requested to furnish the House with their opinions upon the following questions :

1. Has the Legislature authority under the Constitution to pass laws enabling the towns, by gifts of money or loans of bonds, to assist individuals or corporations in establishing or carrying on manufacturing of various kinds within or without the limits of said towns?

2. If so, can the towns act by major vote of such voters as may be present at a special meeting called for that purpose, or must a larger number act affirmatively?

3. If there be a manufactory established and in operation in a town in this State, can the voters of that town be authorized by the Legislature to establish a rival manufactory which shall tend to injure that in operation and oblige the proprietors of the same to pay for their own detriment by taxing them to support the new rival factory?

4. If a town may be authorized by the Legislature to assist corporations to establish manufactories, may it also be authorized to go further and establish such manufactories entirely on its own account and run them either by the ordinary town officers or by agents to be designated in the ordinary primary party conventions selected in town meetings?

5. If the authority specified in the first question exists, is there any limit to the proportion of the valuation of the town that may be put into manufacturing enterprises, or may a sum equal to the whole property of the town be so pledged?

This order was read, laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Mr. BLISS, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to incorporate the Little River Dyking Company"; also

Reported same on bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebec and Moosehead Ice Company"; also

Reported on petition of S. B. Farnsworth, bill "an act to au-

thorize the Selectmen of Wells to locate and build a way across Webhannet river in said town."

Mr. ATWELL, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize Wm. H. Danforth to erect and maintain a wharf in tide water in Bristol."

Mr. HEATH, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on petition, reported bill "an act to make valid the doings of Castle Hill in Aroostook county"; also

Reported on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Eclectic Infirmary."

Printed bill "an act to continue in force sections 1 to 6 inclusive of chapter 170, laws of 1868, authorizing pensions for disabled seamen and soldiers."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for the third reading.

Bill "an act to prevent the throwing of slabs, edgings and refuse lumber, into the waters of Violette brook in Van Buren";

Bill "an act to authorize Zenas F. Yates and others, to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Muscongus harbor";

Bill "an act to extend the time for the Lime Rock Bank to accept the provisions of an act to renew the charters of certain banks, approved March 17, 1870";

Bill "an act to incorporate the Old Orchard Railroad Company";

The foregoing bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to authorize the Lincoln Ice Company to increase their capital," having had three several readings and passed to be engrossed, was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker *pro tem.* and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Cobb Lime Company," was reported, and being on its passage to be enacted, laid on the table, on motion of Mr. BLISS of Washington.

A message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Lane, its Secretary, informing the House that in the absence of the President, Hon. Thomas P. Cleaves had been chosen President *pro tem.*

On motion of Mr. GRAM of Brunswick,
Adjourned.

SUMNER. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

TUESDAY, JANUARY 24, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The Speaker, Mr. SMITH, in the Chair.

No chaplain present.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Petition of Alonzo Colby and others of Bucksport, for change of the laws relating to the taking of smelts, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Bill "an act to repeal an act entitled an act to revise and consolidate the public laws of the State," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Joint Select Committee, on communication of the Governor concerning the revision of the statutes, reporting bill "an act to revise and consolidate the public laws of the State," came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, bill read three times, rules being suspended, on motion of Mr. BONNEY of Portland, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting legislation inexpedient on order relating to liens in favor of persons cutting and peeling hemlock bark, accepted by the House, came from the Senate recommitted, and was recommitted in concurrence.

Communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting county estimates for the year 1871, was received, and referred to the Committee on County Estimates.

Remonstrance of John Newman and others, and Alfred Stevens and others, against the division of the town of Westbrook; also

Remonstrance of E. H. Banks and 613 others, against setting off Wood and Tupper's islands from Biddeford to Saco; and

Petition of Asa Strickland and others, to be set off from Embden to New Portland;

Were referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Remonstrance of E. O. Simpson and others of Harpswell, against the repeal of the law relating to the taking of porgies; also

Petition of Henry Whitney and others, for repeal of same; and

Petition of George L. Hall and others of Nobleborough, for the better protection of the alewife fishery at Damariscotta;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of Joseph Granger and others, for an act to prevent the throwing of refuse into the St. Croix river, with bill; also

Remonstrance of Jotham Works, against incorporation of the Piscataquis Dam Company; also

Petition of Zina H. Hodgdon and others, for authority to construct a wharf in Sheepscot river; also

Remonstrance of John O. Hamor and others, against the petition of H. H. Clark for authority to build a dam to Norwood's island in Tremont; also

Petition of E. K. Harding and others, for authority to construct a wharf at Small Point harbor in Phippsburg; and

Bill "an act to prevent obstructions in Union river;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Lewis Scott, for deed of a lot of land in Maysville;

Petition of Lyman Lee and others, for aid to build a road from Monson to Greenville;

Petition of Ausburn F. Hoffses of Castle Hill, for deed of a lot of land; also

Petition of Daniel Getchell and others, for an appropriation to complete the State road through Letter F, in Aroostook county; and

Petition of Daniel Libby and others of Limestone, for abatement of State valuation;

Were referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of the Selectmen of Cape Elizabeth, for authority to construct and maintain a ferry landing; and

Remonstrances of Reuben Higgins and others, and Joseph P. Chamberlain, against the same ; also

Petition of Horace Harmon and others, for repeal of the law changing the time and place of holding court in Washington county ; also

Petition of Thomas McLorley and others, for an act to incorporate the Hibernian Mutual Benevolent Society of Bangor ; and

Petition of Arno Wiswell, for the incorporation of the Eastern Marble Company ;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "an act to continue in force an act to establish schools in the Madawaska territory";

Petition of Ira A. Philbrick and others, for aid to the Parsonsfield Seminary ;

Petition of John Treat and others of Enfield ;

Petition of Moses Perkins and others of Nobleborough ; and

Petition of Levi Hicks and others, for repeal of the law of 1870 relating to the employment of school teachers ;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Bill "an act to increase the common school tax and to establish free select schools," was referred to the Committee on Education and ordered to be printed.

Petition of John Lynch and others, for a charter for railroad from Alfred to South Berwick, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Selectmen of New Portland, for books to replace those destroyed by fire, was referred to the Committee on Library.

Petition of William T. Hall and others, for savings bank at Richmond, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of Catharine Locke, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. HASKELL of Portland,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending section 2, chapter 106 of the revised statutes, by striking out the word "seventy" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "sixty," so that jurors shall be under the age of sixty years.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES of Portland,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the laws, as to exempt all women from arrest and imprisonment for debt.

On motion of Mr. PATTEN of Bath,

Ordered, That the Committee on Banks and Banking inquire into the expediency of a law limiting savings banks in their semi-annual dividends to three per cent., and that no savings bank shall declare any extra dividend within five years after they organize and commence business, and not oftener than three years thereafter.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. COBB, from the Committee on Legal Reform, reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to the appointment of highway surveyors.

Mr. KNAPP, from the same Committee, reported same on order relating to bounty on bears and wolves.

These reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. CLEAVES, from the Committee on Legal Reform, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to empower towns, cities and village corporations, to make by-laws in certain cases."

The report was read and accepted, and the bill ordered to be printed under joint rule.

Mr. CLEAVES, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on petition of Leander Weeks, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Knox Masonic Temple Company."

Mr. CARLETON, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize the Eastport Hotel Company to hire money and secure the payment of the same by a mortgage on the company's property."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and tomorrow assigned for the third reading.

Bill "an act to revive and continue in force sections 1 to 6 inclusive of chapter 170, public laws of 1870, entitled "an act authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen," was reported, read the third time, and recommitted to the Committee on Pensions, on motion of Mr. WILSON of Thomaston.

Bill "an act authorizing the County Commissioners of the County of Oxford to re-assess certain taxes," was reported, read the third time, and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. RAWSON of Bangor.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebec and Moosehead Ice Company";

Bill "an act to incorporate the Little River Dyking Company";

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Eclectic Medical Infirmary";

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the inhabitants of the plantation of Castle Hill, in the county of Aroostook";

Bill "an act to make valid the transfer of the Bangor, Oldtown and Milford Railroad to the European and North American Railway Company";

Bill "an act authorizing William H. Danforth to erect and maintain a wharf in tide water in Bristol";

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to revive and consolidate the public laws of the State."

Bill "an act to make valid the acts and doings of the town of Denmark."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Boothbay Ice Company."

Bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Laconia Company."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of Josiah True as a Justice of the Peace."

"Resolve in favor of John Gaubriel."

"Resolve in favor of Newell Neptune."

The foregoing bills having had three, and the resolves two several readings, and passed to be engrossed, were reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills passed to be enacted, resolves finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BONNEY of Portland,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Morse of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of John T. Robinson of Richmond as a Notary Public," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Squirrel Island Association," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Petition of George W. Whitney and others, municipal officers of Newport, for reduction of State valuation of said town, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

The House nonconcurring and referred to the Penobscot County Delegation, with instructions not to change the aggregate valuation of Penobscot county.

Ordered, That, the House concurring, fifteen hundred copies of the Report of the Insurance Commissioner be printed.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and was read, amended by striking out the words "fifteen hundred" and inserting the words "twenty-five hundred," passed, and sent up for concurrence.

Order relating to the distribution of blank writs and mittimus to Trial Justices, passed by the House, came from the Senate amended by inserting after "writs," the words, "complaints and warrants," and passed.

The House receded, adopted the amendment, and passed the order in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of C. H. Hill for incorporation of the Lewiston School for Medical Instruction.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on petition, reporting bill "an act to authorize John E. and Hiram Colewell to construct a fish weir in tide waters in front of said Colewells' land, in Pigeon Hill bay, in the town of Steuben."

Report of same Committee, on petition, reporting bill "an act to authorize J. B. Swanton and William Godfrey to construct a fish weir in the tide waters at the lower side of Stover's cove in the town of Millbridge"; also

Reporting, on petition, bill "an act to authorize Joshua M. Leighton to construct a fish weir in the tide waters in front of his own land on Clark's island in Millbridge."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading.

Petition of Abner Stetson and others, for a law to allow corporations to flow flats and marshes on salt water rivers; also

Petition of A. M. Robinson and others of Dover, in aid of the Piscataquis Reservoir Dam Company; and

Remonstrance of C. G. Totman, against prohibiting the throwing of edgings into Kennebec river;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of inhabitants of Oxford, praying that property exempted from taxation under provisions of the act of 1864 to encourage manufactures, be excluded from the general State valuation; and

Petition of John E. Donnell and others, for change of the name of the Portland Tenement House Company;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Memorial of George M. Weston, for repeal of resolve of 1860 in respect to his accounts with the State; also

Petition of Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company, praying that the city of Bangor be authorized to loan its credit in aid of the construction of said road; also

Remonstrance of Joshua Allen and others of Jay, against the petition of John Hanson, for an act to loan the credit of said town in aid of manufactures; and

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of Madawaska in voting money for school purposes";

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of the Selectmen of Cape Elizabeth, for an appropriation to build a bridge across Long Creek in said town ; also

Petition of A. B. Huff and others, for an act to authorize the Boston and Maine Railroad Company to extend its road to Portland, and for charter for the Portland and York Shore Line Railroad Company ; also

Petition of A. W. Dam and others, for charter for a railroad from Springvale to the Portsmouth and Conway Railroad ; and

“ Resolve in favor of a Post Road and National Highway from Portland to Chicago ” ;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of John F. Hoffses and others, for an appropriation to aid in making a road from Castle Hill to Dalton ; and

Petition of Jane A. Weeks, for exchange of land in Eaton ;

Were referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of Hiram A. Balch, for authority to build a fish weir in Lubec ; and

Petition of E. A. Davis and others of Lubec, for change of the fishery laws ;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Bill “ an act in relation to the Literary Fraternity and Philomathean Society ” ; and

Remonstrance of J. O. Smith and others, against repeal of the present school laws ;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Joseph Titcomb and others, for incorporation of the Kennebunk Savings Bank, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Bill “ an act to incorporate the Cumberland Air Power Company, ” was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petitions of Annie E. Gray and Elizabeth Hall, for change of names, were referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. LANE of Alfred,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire what if any further legislation is necessary to protect the

rights of creditors of insolvent estates against unadjusted claims of mortgagees.

On motion of Mr. BONNEY of Portland,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of so changing the laws as to allow appeals to be taken to the Supreme Judicial Court from the decisions of joint boards of County Commissioners relating to ways in two or more counties.

On motion of Mr. WINTER of New Portland,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform be instructed to take into consideration the expediency of exempting cows from taxation, and taxing carriages, harnesses, musical instruments, watches, gold and silver plate.

On motion of Mr. PATTEN of Bath,

Ordered, That the Committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of amending the laws regulating the investment of the funds of savings banks, so that investments shall not be made in securities outside of this State, except government, State, county and city bonds.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. LORD, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to the expediency of requiring the same judge to preside at two successive terms of the Supreme Judicial Court in any county, unless prevented by sickness.

Mr. SANBORN, from the same Committee, reported same on order relating to actions by soldiers against plantations for the recovery of State scrip, issued under the act equalizing municipal war debts.

Mr. PATTEN, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Joseph Nickerson, for incorporation of the Boothbay Marine Railway Company.

Mr. COLBURN, from the Committee on Education, reported same on petition of G. A. Wilson, for an appropriation to the Oxford Normal Institute.

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to regulate the qualifications of practitioners in medicine and surgery," reported the same be printed and recommitted.

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass on recommitted bill "an act to authorize the Wesleyan Methodist Society of Augusta to borrow money."

Mr. BONNEY, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize the inhabitants of Norway to exempt certain property from taxation."

Mr. SANBORN, from the same Committee, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to incorporate the Home for Poor and Indigent Women in the city of Augusta."

The same member, on petition, reported "resolve to authorize the county of Penobscot to procure a loan."

Mr. PATTEN, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Bar Harbor and Mt. Desert Telegraph Company."

Mr. TALBOT, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize M. E. Pierce and Company to extend and maintain their wharf in Boothbay."

Mr. GETCHELL, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize A. L. Frohock and others to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Penobscot bay in Lincolnville."

Mr. ATWELL, from the same Committee, reported ought to pass on bill "an act extending the time within which the Pushaw Dam Company may complete works agreeable to charter."

Mr. DINGLEY, from the Committee on Manufactures, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to incorporate the Eureka Slate Company."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bills and second reading of the resolve.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Knox Masonic Temple Company."

Bill "an act to authorize the Eastport Hotel Company to hire money and secure the payment of the same by a mortgage on the company's property."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to authorize railroad companies to fix the number of directors."

Bill "an act to make valid the acts and doings of the town of Denmark."

Bill "an act to set off John Walker and his estates from the South Paris Village Corporation."

The foregoing bills having had three several readings and passed to be engrossed, were reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Cobb Lime Company," was taken from the table, passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Order requesting the opinion of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court as to the constitutionality of allowing towns by gifts of money or loans of bonds, to assist manufactures, was taken from the table on motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais, and amended by substituting the following :

Ordered, That the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court be requested to furnish the House with their opinions upon the following questions :

Has the Legislature authority under the Constitution to pass laws enabling towns by gifts of money or loans of bonds to assist individuals or corporations to establish or carry on manufacturing of various kinds within or without the limits of said towns? And if towns thus authorized may assist private parties, may they go further and establish manufactories entirely on their own account and run them by the ordinary town officers or otherwise?

The order was then passed.

On motion of Mr. BRAGDON of York,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 26, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. LEFFINGWELL of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to revise and consolidate the public laws of the State, approved January 24, 1871"; also

Bill "an act to provide for the relinquishment to the United States in certain cases, of title to lands for sites of Light Stations on the coast and waters of this State"; and

Bill "an act giving consent of the Legislature of Maine to the purchase by the United States of land within this State for public purposes," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 92 of the revised statutes, relating to flowing lands," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of Archelaus Lewis and others, for division of Westbrook, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Petition of John Locke and others, for authority to maintain a dam or sluice across Bellow's brook in Fryeburg, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Bill "an act in relation to collection of taxes in the town of Brownfield," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of Timothy Downing, for damages for false imprisonment, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of William W. Quimby, for renewal of pension, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Petition of the Selectmen of Princeton, for repayment of money from the State paid for damages caused by breaking down the bridge leading from said town to Indian township; and

Petition of G. W. Pickering, for change of the valuation of town-

ship number 7, range 3, county of Aroostook, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Ordered, That the delegation from Oxford county be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 18, laws of 1869, so as to authorize any Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court to audit and order payment from the county treasury of said county the expenses incurred and not already audited and allowed in the pursuit and arrest of one Truman F. Young, who robbed the Norway Savings Bank, September 21st, 1867.

Ordered, That the Committee on Agriculture be directed to visit the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, and report thereon during this session.

Ordered, That the Committee on Banks and Banking inquire into the expediency of prohibiting savings banks from loaning their funds out of the State.

These orders came from the Senate read and passed, and were read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting legislation inexpedient on order relating to laying out and constructing highways, so that County Commissioners shall have authority to order the grading down of hills, &c., on petition for same.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Madagascal Dam Company."

Report of the Committee on Agriculture and the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, on petition, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Poultry Society."

Bill "an act to authorize the Treasurer of the County of Cumberland to pay the Judge and Register of Probate for said county certain sums of money."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned.

Order directing the publishing of the Rules and Orders of the Legislature, passed by the House, came from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

The House recessed and concurred.

"Resolve in relation to the Maine Year Book and Annual State Register," indefinitely postponed in the House, came from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The question being on receding and concurring, Mr. SEWALL of Oldtown, moved, and the House ordered, that it be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, was declared in the affirmative, by yeas 86, nays 37.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams, Andrews of Otisfield, Andrews of Palmyra, Anderson, Atwell, Bartlett, Bean, Bird, Bliss, Bonney, Brewer, Brown, Burgess, Burnham, Buswell, Chase, Clark of China, Clark of Lincoln, Cleaves, Colburn, Comins, Cousens, Crehore, Cushing, Dingley, Ellis, Emery, Getchell, Goodwin, Googins, Green of Wilton, Greene of Temple, Hacker, Harriman, Haskell of Portland, Hastings, Hathaway, Hayden, Heal, Hill, Hobart, Holt, Hopkins of Bluehill, Hopkins of Mt. Vernon, Hutchins, Jones of Norway, Keegan, Knight, Lamb, Lord, Mayo, Moores, Moore of Buckfield, Norcross, Nutter, Palmer, Parsons, Partridge, Patten, Perkins of Poland, Potter, Ray, Reed of Waldoborough, Reed of No. 11, Robie, Robinson, Rodick, Sanborn of Kittery, Simonton, Skillin, Smith of Parsonsfield, Snow, Snowman, Talbot, Thompson of Dover, Thompson of Trenton, Wadsworth, Wagg, Wall, Whitehouse, Whiting, Whitmore, Wilson, Willard, Winter, Woodbury—86.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Bishop, Blanchard, Blossom, Bradbury, Carleton, Chapin, Drisco, Ervin, Fish, Gannett, Haskell of Garland, Heath, Hobson, Hodgdon, Jenkins, Johnson, Moore of Machiasport, Osgood of Lewiston, Perkins of Farmington, Pike, Rawson, Raynes, Sanborn of Bangor, Sayward, Sewall, Severance, Simpson, Stickney, Storer, Strickland, Taber, Taylor, Wass, Weed, White of Winterport, White of Greenfield, Wyman—37.

Petition of B. C. Mathews, for change of the act of 1870 relating to the claim of said Mathews; also

Bill "an act to amend chapter 348, private laws of 1870, conferring certain powers on the city of Portland"; and

Petition of David Sterns and others, for an act imposing a tax on the owners of dogs;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of Nathaniel L. Thompson and others of Kennebunk ;
and

Petition of Charles E. Perkins and others of Kennebunkport, for
an act to allow the Boston and Maine Railroad Company to extend
their road to Portland ; also for charter for the Portland and York
Shore Line Railroad Company ;*

Petition of E. H. Banks, in aid of the same ;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and
Bridges.

Petition of Charles B. Sanford and others, for authority to ex-
tend a wharf in Stockton, with bill ;

Petition of Charles V. Lord and others, for incorporation of a
Manufacturing and Water Power Company at Oldtown ;

Petition of J. A. Johnson and others, for an act to prevent the
cutting of ice in ponds ; also

Remonstrance of D. R. Stockwell, against the petition of Charles
G. Sterns and others, for the right to extend their boom to Gardiner
Falls ; and

Remonstrance of Silas Bates and others, against prohibiting the
the throwing of edgings into Kennebec river ;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of E. B. Patten and others, for incorporation of the Co-
operative Store and Loan Company ; also

Petition of Hugh Ross and others, for incorporation of the Fort
Point Hotel Company, with bill ; and

Bill "an act to enable women to whom a divorce is granted
upon their own libels to resume their maiden names ;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Charles Severen and others, for aid to the French-
ville High School ; also

Remonstrance of T. M. Richardson and others, against repeal of
the law relating to the employment of teachers ; and

Remonstrance of L. S. Judd and others, against the same ;

Petition of E. T. Dyer and others ; and

Petition of the citizens of Corinth, for repeal of same ;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of the Trustees of Limerick Academy, for aid ;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Bill "an act to secure a lien on bricks"; and

Petition of S. Robinson, for incorporation of the Sherman Steam and Water Manufacturing Company ;

Were referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of E. Shorey and others, for incorporation of Bancroft as a town ; and

Petition of James Farrar and others, for incorporation of Benedicta as a town ;

Were referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Petition of the Trustees of the York County Five Cents Savings Institution, for change of name of said institution, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Bill "an act to amend the charter of the Eastern Insurance Company," was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

"Resolve in favor of Zepheniah Starbird and others," was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Remonstrance of John J. Cheney and others, against annexation of any part of Westbrook to Portland, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the St. John Agricultural Society," was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of C. Wasgatt, for authority to extend a fish weir at Old Harbor in Swan's Island, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of George T. Whidden and others of Presque Isle and Maysville, for union of said towns, was referred to the Aroostook County Delegation.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of Ellen E. Colburn, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. WILSON of Thomaston,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of extending the time of the revised statutes going into effect to the first day of April next.

On motion of Mr. HARRIMAN of Belfast,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire if further legislation be necessary to prevent spendthrifts from wasting their estate.

On motion of Mr. ROBIE of Gorham,

Ordered, That the same Committee be requested to examine

chapter 51, section 28 of the revised statutes, and to report such alteration as they may deem proper, to make it conform to the legislation of last winter, in relation to the rate of interest.

On motion of Mr. SANBORN of Bangor,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire if further and additional legislation is necessary or expedient as to process for partition of real estate.

On motion of Mr. RAWSON of Bangor,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of passing a law limiting the time that judges of courts shall be allowed to confine jurors, after notice that they are unable to agree. Also,

Ordered, That same Committee inquire into the expediency of repealing chapter 119, laws of 1867, authorizing cities and towns to raise money to aid in the construction of railroads in this State.

On motion of Mr. CHASE of Augusta,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of requiring orders for payment of wages to be recorded.

On motion of Mr. SEWALL of Oldtown,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 81, sections 29 and 37 inclusive of the revised statutes of 1871, as to authorize the sale on mesne process of logs and other lumber attached under section 34, chapter 91 of said statutes.

On motion of Mr. WILSON of Thomaston,

Ordered, That the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges inquire into the necessity of legislation on the rights and powers of railroad companies to take burrow and gravel pits for the construction and repair of their several roads.

On motion of Mr. BURNHAM of Biddeford,

Ordered, That the Committee on Banks and Banking inquire into the expediency of so amending section 5, chapter 60 of the acts of 1869, that savings banks may make loans to their trustees in amounts not exceeding five thousand dollars.

On motion of Mr. ATWELL of Orono,

Ordered, That the Committee on Military Affairs be and are hereby directed and authorized to visit the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum, and report on the condition of that institution.

On motion of Mr. COUSENS of Kennebunkport,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the expediency of amending section 94 of chapter 82 of the revised statutes, so that if a party receive a verdict in his favor by a jury and shall carry the case into the Law Court, and the opinion of the Court shall be against him there, he shall recover no costs subsequent to the verdict, but the party prevailing in the Law Court shall recover costs accruing after the verdict.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. HOPKINS, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Francis Milliken and others, to set off Wood and Tappan's islands from Biddeford to Saco, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. THOMPSON, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported same on petition of George W. Ayer for State aid.

Mr. POTTER, from the Committee on Education, reported same on petition for aid to Paris Hill Academy.

Mr. ATWELL, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to reduction of the running expenses of the Adjutant General's Office.

These reports were read and accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. GANNETT, from the Committee on Pensions, on recommended bill relating to pensions, reported bill "an act authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen."

The report was read and accepted and the bill ordered to be printed.

Mr. PALMER, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on petition, reported bill "an act to continue the powers of the President, Directors and Company of the Alfred Bank."

Mr. JOHNSON, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Richmond Savings Bank."

Mr. BIRD, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize the inhabitants of the town of Bristol to change the location of the northerly end of the bridge leading on to Rutherford's island in said town over tide waters."

Mr. HARRIMAN, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize the County Commissioners of Kennebec county to appropriate money to build or repair a bridge over the Sebasticook river in Clinton Gore."

Mr. HACKER, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition, reported "resolve in favor of Salmon Jones"; also

Reported, on petition, "resolve in favor of Abigail Davis."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolves once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bills and Wednesday of next week for the second reading of the resolves.

Bill "an act to incorporate St. Mark's Home for Poor and Indigent Women in the city of Augusta."

Bill "an act extending the time within which the Pushaw Dam Company may complete works as per charter."

Bill "an act to authorize the inhabitants of the town of Norway to exempt certain property from taxation."

Bill "an act authorizing M. E. Pierce and Company to extend and maintain their wharf."

Bill "an act to authorize the Selectmen of Wells to locate and build a way across Webhannet river in said town."

Bill "an act to authorize the Wesleyan Methodist Society of Augusta to borrow money."

Bill "an act to authorize A. L. Frohock and others to extend a wharf in the tide waters of the Penobscot bay in the town of Lincolnville."

"Resolve to authorize the county of Penobscot to procure a loan."

The foregoing bills and resolve were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the bills read the third time, resolve the second time, and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bar Harbor and Mt. Desert Telegraph Company," was reported, read the third time, amended as per sheet "A" on motion of Mr. CLEAVES of Portland, and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Eureka Slate Company," being on its passage to be engrossed, was recommitted to the Committee on Manufactures, with instruction to report leave to withdraw, in accordance with joint order.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to authorize Joshua M. Leighton to construct a fish weir in the tide waters in front of his own land on Clark's island in Millbridge."

Bill "an act to authorize J. B. Swanton and William Godfrey to construct a fish weir in tide waters at the lower side of Stover's cove in Millbridge."

Bill "an act to authorize John E. and Hiram Colewell to construct a fish weir in tide waters in front of their land in Pigeon Hill bay in Steuben."

The foregoing bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Passadumkeag Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to confirm the doings of the Maine Missionary Society and to incorporate the said society."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Peak's Island Steamboat Company."

Bill "an act granting further time to the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company to complete their road."

Bill "an act additional to an act incorporating the Calais Railway Company, and the several acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof."

The foregoing bills having had three several readings, and passed to be engrossed, were reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend the charter of the National Insurance Company of Bangor," being on its passage to be enacted, was recommitted, on motion of Mr. RAWSON of Bangor.

Bill "an act authorizing the County Commissioners of Oxford County to re-assess certain taxes," was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed, on motion of Mr. RAWSON of Bangor.

Adjourned.

SUMNER. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

FRIDAY, JANUARY 27, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. HERRIN of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Remonstrance of Mason Seavey and others of Saco ; and

Remonstrance of Edward Parker and others of Biddeford, against repeal of the law relating to the employment of teachers, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of James E. Thompson, for incorporation of the Phillips Savings Bank, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of Perkins plantation, for change of valuation, came from the Senate referred to the Franklin County Delegation.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Ordered, That the several county delegations, to whom are referred matters relating to State valuation, be instructed to make no alterations in the aggregate valuations of the counties.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and was read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition for reduction of the valuation of the town of St. Albans, reporting reference to the Somerset County Delegation.

Report of same Committee, reporting reference to the Aroostook County Delegation, on petitions of certain towns in Aroostook county for change of valuation.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting ought to pass on bill "an act to revise and consolidate the public laws of this State."

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition, reporting bill "an act to authorize R. A. & W. A. Friend to extend their wharf into the tide waters of Center Harbor."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and tomorrow assigned for the third reading.

Mr. BERRY of Buxton, was excused from service on the Committee on County Estimates, and Mr. COUSENS of Kennebunkport, appointed instead.

Petition of Selectmen of Milo, for reimbursement of bounty paid to a soldier ;

Petition of the Overseers of the Poor of Gouldsbrough, for aid to Mary McDonald ;

Were referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petitions of Mrs. William H. Shailer and others, Mrs. J. M. Graham and others, Mrs. J. J. Gilbert and others, ladies of Portland, for an Industrial School for Girls ; also

Petition of Peter Hill and others, for repeal of the law relating to the employment of school teachers ; also

Petition of J. F. Brackett and others of Limington ; also

Petitions of H. B. Pike and others, and Hatch Macomber and others, for same ;

Remonstrances of W. D. Morse and others, and E. R. Haynes and others, of Monson, against the same ;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Warren Brown and others, for incorporation of the Ellsworth Boom Company ;

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the International Telegraph Company";

Petition of J. S. Bennoch and others, for change of the law relating to the election of Selectmen ;

Petition of Paul Curtis and others of Harrington, for an act to make valid the doings of said town ;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of the inhabitants of St. John plantation, for aid to build a bridge ; also

Petition of Vital Dufour and others, for aid to build a bridge in Madawaska ; and

Petition of James M. Kempton and others, for aid to build a road in Letter C plantation in Franklin county ;

Were referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Remonstrance of Oliver Gerrish and others, against any change of the law relating to choice of railroad directors;

Petition of Joseph Titcomb and others of Kennebunk, for the extension of the Boston and Maine Railroad to Portland;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Herbert Wadsworth and others, for incorporation of the Pembroke Savings Bank, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of Paine Brothers and others, for change of the law relating to the inspection of smoked herring, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of the Birch Stream Dam Company, for the right to increase their tolls;

Petition of William Connors, for an act to incorporate a sluice at Great Works;

Petition of T. W. Baldwin and others, for incorporation of the Penobscot Pond Stream Company;

Bill "an act authorizing Henry A. DeWitt and J. Manchester Haynes to maintain their wharf in Richmond";

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HEATH of Waterville,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of reporting a bill repealing so much of section 54 of the school laws as is found in part first, after the word "county," in the seventh line; also to amend section 60 of same, after the fifth clause to add, "Sixth, to hire masters and mistresses for their several districts, and to notify in writing the S. S. Committee of the time when the schools are to begin and when to close, ten days at least beforehand; also to notify the S. S. Committee of the wages of the teacher by them employed"; also to amend said laws by striking out sections 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81 and 82.

On motion of Mr. HOBSON of Wiscasset,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education be instructed to inquire into the expediency of a law authorizing the payment by the State, of a sum per head on all scholars between the ages of four and twenty-one years, to such towns or school districts as maintain an efficient system of graded schools, as an inducement

to all the towns in this State to adopt this system. Also of a law making the Chairman of the Superintending School Committee in each town the Supervisor of schools.

On motion of same member,

Ordered, That the Committees on Education and Military Affairs, in a joint meeting or meetings, be instructed to inquire into the expediency of introducing military tactics into our common schools.

On motion of Mr. BLISS of Washington,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire if any legislation is necessary to further define the rights of poor debtors.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON of Dover,

Ordered, That the Committee on Military Affairs be directed to inquire into the expediency of authorizing towns to take eligible sites for the erection of soldiers' monuments thereon, in the same manner that land is taken for ways and with the same rights of appeal.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais,

Ordered, That the Governor be requested to inform the House whether there is any evidence on file of the completion of any part of the European and North American Railway, as specified in section 2 of the act to provide means for the defence of the north-eastern frontier, approved March 24, 1864.

Mr. DINGLEY, from the Committee on the Governor's Address, reported reference of the various topics therein to the appropriate Committees, and is as follows:

That, so much as relates to the condition of the country, be referred to the Committee on Federal Relations;

So much as relates to financial affairs, to the Committee on Finance;

So much as relates to military affairs, to Committee on Military Affairs;

So much as relates to State pensions, to Committee on Pensions;

So much as relates to education, to Committee on Education;

So much as relates to agriculture, to Committee on Agriculture;

So much as relates to Orphans' Home, to Committee on Military Affairs;

So much as relates to temperance, to Committee on Legal Reform;
So much as relates to population and immigration, to Committee on State Lands and State Roads;

So much as relates to protection to industry, to Committee on Legal Reform;

So much as relates to railroads, to Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges;

So much as relates to our shipping interest, to Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance;

So much as relates to biennial elections and sessions of the Legislature, to Committee on the Judiciary;

So much as relates to fisheries, to Committee on Fisheries;

So much as relates to industrial school for girls, to Committee on Education;

So much as relates to our jail system, to Committee on Legal Reform.

Mr. BONNEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to securing to the people of this State the benefits of the Maine General Hospital.

Mr. LORD, from same Committee, reported same on order relating to the propriety of allowing appeals to the Supreme Judicial Court, to be taken from the decisions of joint boards of County Commissioners, relating to ways in two or more counties.

Mr. LAMB, from the Committee on Legal Reform, reported same on order relating to the age of jurors.

Mr. CARLETON, from same Committee, reported same on order relating to exempting cows from taxation.

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported leave to withdraw on petition of J. W. Johnson, for an act to make valid his doings as a Justice of the Peace.

These reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. BLISS, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition for incorporation of the Hibernian Mutual Benevolent Society of Bangor, reported leave to withdraw.

This report was read and recommitted, on motion of Mr. RAWSON of Bangor, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. ROBIE, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition, reported bill "an act additional to the acts establishing the Portland and Rochester Railroad Company."

Mr. OLEAVES, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on petition, reported bill "an act to change the name of the Portland Tenement House Company."

Mr. CARLETON, from this Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to make valid the acts and proceedings of the town of Kingsbury."

Mr. BONNEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Eastern Marble Company."

Mr. GANNETT, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to extend the charter of the Rockland Fire and Marine Insurance Company."

Mr. SANBORN, from this Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Phillips Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Mr. ATWELL, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition, reported bill "an act authorizing I. F. McClench and others to extend a wharf at Shephard's Point in Hallowell."

Mr. WEED, from the Penobscot County Delegation, reported bill "an act to reduce the valuation of the town of Veazie and add the amount of such reduction to the valuation of Bangor."

Printed bill "an act authorizing towns, cities and village corporations to make by-laws and ordinances in certain cases."

Printed bill "an act authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading.

Mr. SANBORN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass on bill "an act in addition to the acts incorporating the European and North American Railway Company."

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais.

The same member, from this Committee, reported ought to pass on bill "an act authorizing towns and cities to hold money in trust for certain useful purposes."

The report was read and accepted, and the bill ordered to be printed under Joint Rule.

Bill "an act to authorize the County Treasurer of Cumberland county to pay the Judge and Register of Probate for said county certain sums of money."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Poultry Society."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Richmond Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to continue the powers of the President, Directors and Company of the Alfred Bank."

Bill "an act to authorize the inhabitants of Bristol to change the location of the northerly end of the bridge leading on to Ruth-erford's island in said town over tide waters."

The foregoing bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Madagascal Dam Company."

Bill "an act to authorize the County Commissioners of Kennebec county to appropriate money to rebuild or repair a bridge over the Sebasticook river in Clinton Gore."

These bills being on their passage to be engrossed, were laid on the table, the former by Mr. CLEAVES of Portland, the latter by Mr. HOPKINS of Mt. Vernon.

Bill "an act authorizing Zenas F. Yates, Joseph F. Woodbury and others, to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Muscongus harbor."

Bill "an act to prevent the throwing of slabs, edgings and refuse lumber into the waters of Violette brook in Van Buren."

Bill "an act to extend the time for the Lime Rock Bank to accept the provisions of an act to extend the charters of certain banks, approved March 17, 1870."

The foregoing bills having had three several readings and passed to be engrossed, were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BONNEY of Portland,
Adjourned.

SUMNER. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. MARTIN of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Petition of John Ware and 95 others, for appropriation to aid in completing the road between Brighton and Kingsbury in Somerset county ; and

Petition of Zebalon Misheaud and others of Wallagrass, asking deeds of their farms, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of inhabitants of Alva, for reduction of State valuation, came from the Senate referred to Aroostook County Delegation.

Bill "an act to authorize the Directors of the Leeds and Farmington Railroad Company to issue bonds," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Good Templars of Maine," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "an act to incorporate the United Trustees of Free and Accepted Masons of Bath," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Bill "an act to incorporate the North Penobscot Fire Insurance Company," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform be directed to inquire whether any further legislation is necessary to provide for notice to towns on petitions for increased damages by reason of laying out, widening or altering of town ways.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of W. G. Stone and 46 others of Machias, for repeal of an act to change the time and place of holding the terms of the Supreme Judicial Court in the County of Washington ; also

Petition of N. C. Fletcher and others, Assessors of Camden Village Corporation, for amendment of charter of said corporation ; and

Petition of Stephen A. Wilcox and others, for same ;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Joel Hill and 171 others of Warren, for incorporation of the Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company ; and

Petition of Nathan Smart, for a charter for an express from Houlton in Aroostook county, to Danforth in Washington county ;

Were referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of A. W. Hoyt, asking to be paid for enlisting soldiers in 1861, was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Petition of J. H. Pullen and 43 others, for aid to build and repair the road from Monson to Greenville ; and

Petition of G. W. Knight, for a lot of land ;

Were referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of A. W. Huntress and 96 others, in aid of petition of the Trustees of Mattanawcook Academy for aid ; also

"Resolve in favor of the Etna High School" ; also

Petition of Willis H. Wing and 30 others, town officers and citizens of Manchester, for repeal of teachers' law and law for appointing highway surveyors ; and

Petition of William P. Merrill and 65 others of Manchester, for same ;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Stephen A. Wilcox and others, in relation to cattle running at large, was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of Henry Kingsbury and 48 others of Kennebunk, for extension of the Boston and Maine Railroad to Portland by a shore line, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Remonstrance of Chas. Ring and 53 others, against the passage of an act prohibiting the throwing of edgings and slabs into the Kennebec river, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of County Commissioners of York county, for authority to effect a loan to complete House of Correction ;

Petition of Assessors of South Thomaston, for reduction of State valuation ;

Were referred to the Delegations of York and Knox counties respectively.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of Lizzie V. Clark, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES of Portland,

Ordered, That the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges be directed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the laws of the State, that a certain amount of stock shall be subscribed for in good faith, and a certain per centage of said amount actually paid in to all railroad corporations, before towns or cities shall be authorized to loan their credit, subscribe for stock, or in any way aid such corporations in any railroad enterprise.

On motion of Mr. BONNEY of Portland,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire whether any further legislation is necessary in relation to the individual liability of stockholders in corporations.

The above orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. PATTEN, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of J. D. Wyer and others, praying that authority may be granted to build a bridge from Bailey's island to Orr's island in the town of Harpswell, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. CARLETON, from the Committee on Legal Reform, reported same on petition of inhabitants of Oxford, praying that manufacturing property exempted from taxation by towns, be excluded from the general State valuation.

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. ATWELL, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of Gorham L. Boynton and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the West Branch Dam and Improvement Company."

Mr. TALBOT, from same Committee, on petition of G. Richards and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Cobbossee Ice Company."

Mr. PATTEN, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill entitled "an act additional to and amendatory of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad Company," reported ought to pass.

The reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and Monday assigned for the third reading.

Mr. BONNEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reported bills entitled :

Bill "an act to repeal the acts consolidated in the revised statutes for the year 1871."

Bill "an act to repeal an act entitled an act to repeal the acts consolidated into the revised statutes of the year 1871."

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to revise and consolidate the public laws of the State, approved January 25, 1871."

The report was read and accepted, the rules being suspended, the bills were severally read three times, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to authorize R. A. & W. A. Friend to extend their wharf into the tide waters of Center Harbor."

Bill "an act to repeal an act entitled an act to revise and consolidate the public laws of the State."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to reduce the valuation of Veazie and add the amount of such reduction to the city of Bangor."

Bill "an act to authorize I. F. McClinch and others, to construct a wharf at Hallowell."

Bill "an act for the incorporation of the Phillips Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to extend the charter of the Rockland Fire and Marine Insurance Company."

Bill "an act empowering towns, cities and villages, to make by-laws and ordinances in certain cases."

Bill "an act to change the name of the Portland Tenement House Company, and to grant further powers to the same."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Eastern Marble Company."

Bill "an act authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HASKELL of Portland,
Adjourned.

Z. A. SMITH, *Clerk pro tem.*

MONDAY, JANUARY 30, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Dr. RICKER of Augusta.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire if further legislation is necessary for the further protection of our forests from destruction by fire.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and was read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, reporting bill "an act in relation to collection of taxes in the town of Brownfield."

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the West Buxton and Bonny Eagle Branch Railroad Company."

The Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Young Men's Mutual Life Insurance Company of Bucksport."

The Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to incorporate the Squirrel Island Association," reported ought to pass.

The Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition, reported "resolve in favor of David Dudley."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills and resolves read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, and bills entitled "an act in relation to the collection of taxes in the town of Brownfield," bill "an act to incorporate the West Buxton and Bonny Eagle Branch Railroad Company," and bill "an act to incorporate the Squirrel Island Association," were read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Young Men's Mutual Life Insurance Company of Bucksport," was read twice, and on motion of Mr. BURGESS of Portland, laid on the table.

"Resolve in favor of David Dudley," was read once, and on motion of Mr. STICKNEY of Presque Isle, laid on the table.

"Resolve in relation to the completion of the publication of the revised statutes," came from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed, was read once and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bar Harbor and Mt. Desert Telegraph Company," was amended in the House as per sheet "A," came from the Senate further amended as per sheet "B," read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The House concurred in the adoption of amendment "B," and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Governor, in response to an order of the House, calling for the accounts of the Bath Military and Naval Asylum, transmitted a copy of the accounts of the Trustees of that institution, which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

The Secretary of State transmitted the report of the Superintending School Committee of the town of Greenbush, relating to schools for the Penobscot tribe of Indians, which was referred to the Committee on Education.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of the city government of Bangor, for restoration of the old law relating to sewers ;

Petition of inhabitants of the town of Eastport to enlarge the powers of constables in said town ;

Petition of Greenleaf Emery and 23 others, to abolish the Superior Court of Cumberland county ; also to change the term of the Supreme Court ;

Petition of Isaac Fuller and 14 others, for same ;

Petition of John F. Harris and 183 others of East Machias, that an act approved March 12th, 1869, changing the time and place of holding the terms of the Court in the county of Washington may be repealed ;

Petition of Silas Mitchell and others, to incorporate the Backfield and Turner Cemetery Company, with bill ;

Petition of Lucius Dennison and 33 others, citizens of Norway, for establishment of a Superior Court for Oxford county ;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of S. S. Smith and 111 other citizens of Oxford, for repeal of school law of 1870 ;

Petition of C. Boyd and 184 others, citizens of Harmony and vicinity, for same ;

Petition of O. R. B. Hurd and 7 others, for same ;

Petition of Harriet L. Little and 392 other ladies of Portland, for an Industrial School for Girls ;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of R. S. Small and others, for repeal of law of 1870 relating to porgies ;

Petition of the Mayor of Augusta, for amendment of the public laws respecting fishways ;

Petition of Thomas J. Sherman and others, for the protection of fish in Penmaquid river ;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of Charles Foster and others, to incorporate the Northeast Pond Dam Company, with bill ;

Petition of Newell M. Varney and others, in aid of same ;

Petition of J. E. Brown and others, for an act authorizing E. K. Smart to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Camden harbor ;

Petition of N. M. Hartwell and others, for an act of incorporation, giving them exclusive right to navigate Pushaw pond in Penobscot county for the term of ten years ;

Petition of D. Sargent, 2d, and others of Brewer, for charter with power to construct and maintain dams on the Segeunkedunk stream ;

Petition of William McGilvery of Searsport, to repeal an act granting Chas. E. Dole the right to build a wharf into tide waters at Brewer ;

Petition of Calvin Kingman and others, for charter to run a steam tow boat on Union river ;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of L. R. King and others, in aid of petition of J. S. Arnold and others, for aid ;

Petition of Vital Tribedean and 39 others of township K, R. 2, Arrostook county, for title to their farms ;

Petition of A. J. W. Stevens and 113 others, voters of Parkman, for aid on the road from Monson to Greenville; and

Petition of A. F. Wade and 11 others of Sangerville, in aid of same;

Were referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of James L. Higgins and others of Codyville, for an act of incorporation; also

Remonstrance of Robert Hinch and others, against incorporation of Bancroft; also

Remonstrance of Shaw & Kingman and 100 others of Independence plantation, against incorporation as a town; and

Petition of J. G. Mosher and 13 others, inhabitants of townships No. 13, R. 5, and 12, R. 6, to be incorporated as a plantation with that part of No. 12, R. 5, which lies west of the Aroostook river;

Were referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Petition of Nathan Cleaves and others, for amendment of "an act to incorporate the Merchants' Warehouse Company, approved March 10, 1870"; and

Bill "an act to amend chapter 538 of the special laws of 1868, relating to the improvement of Sunday river";

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Orono Horticultural Society"; and

Remonstrance of George Hamilton and 65 others, against division of the West Penobscot Agricultural Society;

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of W. B. Hayford and others, for a charter for railroad from the European and North American Railway in the town of Mattawamkeag, to some point in the town of Medway, was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Petition of George Goodwin and 43 others, for authority to build and locate a railroad from some point on the P. S. & P. Railroad to some point on the Portland and Rochester Railroad, in the town of Alfred, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Sefiors Nadeau, for compensation for land taken from him for the use of the United States Government, and of S. C. Hobbs and others in aid of same, were referred to the Committee on Claims.

Remonstrance of the York County Commissioners, against any loan by said county, was referred to the York County Delegation.

Petition of David Bailey and 13 others of Cambridge, for passage of a law requiring the March term of Supreme Judicial Court to be held in Skowhegan, was referred to the Somerset County Delegation, with order of notice to the town clerk of Norridgewock.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of John W. Morton of Norridgewock, for change of name of Ida May, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. HASKELL of Portland,

Ordered, That the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance be directed to inquire into the expediency of requiring foreign fire insurance companies having a place of business in cities or towns of this State, where there is an organized fire company or companies, to pay a small per centage of all premiums obtained from risks in those cities or towns, to the municipal authorities thereof, to be by them added pro rata to the pay or compensation of the officers and men composing the fire companies of said cities or towns.

On motion of Mr. JENKINS of Elliot,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the expediency of enlarging the powers of constables in the service of civil process.

The above orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. BONNEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported bill "an act to legalize the doings of the Free Baptist Society of the town of Gray."

Mr. ATWELL, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of M. S. Drummond, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Katahdin Company."

Mr. RODICK, from the Committee on Fisheries, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize Ezra D. Reed and George Reed, to construct a fish weir."

Same gentleman, from same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize A. P. Atherton to construct a fish weir in Tremont."

Printed bill "an act authorizing towns and cities to hold trust funds for certain useful purposes."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and tomorrow assigned for the third reading.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Cobbossee Ice Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the West Branch Dam and Improvement Company."

The foregoing bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act additional to and amendatory of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad Company," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and on motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, laid on the table.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Medical Eclectic Infirmary."

Bill "an act to authorize John E. and Hiram Colewell to construct a fish weir in tide waters in front of their land in Pigeon Hill bay in the town of Steuben."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Old Orchard Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to make valid the transfer of the Bangor, Oldtown and Milford Railroad to the European and North American Railway Company."

Bill "an act to authorize Joshua M. Leighton to construct a fish weir in the tide waters in front of his own land on Clark's island in the town of Millbridge."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the inhabitants of the plantation of Castle Hill, in the County of Aroostook."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Little River Dyking Company."

Bill "an act to authorize J. B. Swanton and William Godfrey to construct a fish weir in tide waters on the lower side of Stover's cove in the town of Millbridge."

Bill "an act to authorize William A. Danforth to erect and maintain a wharf in tide waters in Bristol."

Bill "an act authorizing the County Commissioners of the County of Oxford to re-assess certain taxes."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebec and Moosehead Ice Company."

The foregoing bills having had three several readings, and passed to be engrossed, were reported by the Committee on En-

grossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON of Dover,
Adjourned.

Z. A. SMITH, *Clerk pro tem.*

TUESDAY, JANUARY 31, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Moor of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Petition of James Holmes, for title to his farm which has been conveyed to the European and North American Railway Company; and

Petition of Charles Ramsdell, for same, came from the Senate referred to the Joint Special Committee on Claims of Settlers on Lands Conveyed to the European and North American Railway Company.

Petition of Jesse Smith and others, for appropriation for road in Silver Ridge; also

Petition of Jonathan Hilton and 36 others, for an act authorizing the taxation of certain wild lands in Somerset county; and

Petition of the same, for an appropriation on the Canada road, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of Mrs. T. E. Small and 33 other ladies of Portland; of Mrs. L. P. Butler and other ladies of Portland; of Mrs. Sophia Hayden and 57 other ladies of Portland, for an Industrial School for Girls;

Petition of O. N. Bradbury and 77 others, for aid to Springfield High School; also

Remonstrance of O. N. Bradbury and others, against the repeal of law of 1870 relative to hiring teachers; and

Remonstrance of Henry O. Perry and 11 others, against same, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of City Council of the city of Lewiston, for an act establishing a Municipal Court in said city; also

Petition of citizens of Hartland, for a law requiring the March term of the Supreme Judicial Court of Somerset county to be held at Skowhegan; also

Petition of O. R. Bacheller and 56 others, citizens of Solon, for same; also

Petition of citizens of Fairfield, for same; and

Petition of citizens of Canaan for same, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of H. O. Perry and others, in favor of a charter for an Aroostook Railroad; and

Bill "an act to authorize the Somerset and Kennebec Railroad Company to connect with the Maine Central Railroad in the town of Waterville," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Arnold Blaney and 149 others, in aid of petition of Robert Norton and others, for authority to build a dam across Pemaquid river in the town of Bristol, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Resolve in favor of the town of Fort Kent, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of Thomas H. Cole and 180 citizens of Biddeford and vicinity, in aid of the petition of the Boston and Maine Railroad Company;

Petition of Charles Hill and 180 others of Saco, for same, came down from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Bill "an act to prevent the throwing of slabs, edgings and refuse lumber into the waters of Violette brook in Van Buren plantation," passed to be enacted by the House, came from the Senate, recommitted to the Committee on Interior Waters.

The House recessed and concurred.

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the expediency of establishing a January term of Supreme Judicial

Court in and for the county of Lincoln, and of changing the time of holding the April term of said court.

Ordered, That the Committee on Banks and Banking inquire as to the expediency of legislation allowing presidents of savings banks to receive from said banks compensation for official services.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire whether legislation is necessary to protect free bridges from injury by droves of cattle.

These orders came from the Senate read and passed, and were passed in concurrence.

Petition of T. Seymour and others, United States officers stationed at Fort Preble, in aid of petition of Selectmen of Cape Elizabeth for authority to lay out a way to Ferry landing in said town ;

Petition of Gen. J. C. Duane, in aid of same ;

Petition of William Curtis and others, in aid of same ;

Petition of Charles Davis and others, in aid of same ;

Petition of Elwell Lowell and others, for repeal of act establishing a Municipal Court in Calais, and for a Superior Court with enlarged jurisdiction ;

Petition of G. M. Wentworth and others, for same ;

Remonstrance of James Rollins and others, against same ;

Petition of the Trustees and Managers of the Children's Home and others, for pecuniary aid ;

Petition of L. E. Judkins and 37 others of Cornville, praying that the March term of the Supreme Court in Somerset county be held in Skowhegan ;

Petition of W. H. Evans and 38 others of Cornville ; and

Petition of L. Morrison and 49 others of Madison, in aid of same ;

"Resolve in favor of the inhabitants of Riley plantation" ;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of D. F. Leavitt and another, that the Sebec Railroad Company may be authorized to operate a branch railroad into the town of Brownville, with accompanying bill ;

Petition of George Goodwin and others of the town of Wells, in aid of the petition of the Boston and Maine Railroad Company, for charter to Portland ;

Petition of E. T. Nutter and others ;

Petition of John Tuck and others ;

Petition of John G. Hayes and 121 others ;

Petition of Charles P. Kimball and 125 others, for same ;

Petition of Jason Webb and others, for charter for railroad from Danville Junction, leading through Gray, Windham and Gorham, to connect with the Portland and Rochester Railroad ; also

Petition of Joseph Howard and others, for act concerning railroad corporations ; also

Remonstrance of John A. Montgomery and 80 others, against any change of law in relation to election of railroad directors annually ; also

Petition of Jeremiah Foster and 178 others of East Machias, Charles Deering and 36 others of Castine, William L. Byard and 18 others of Sedgwick, and E. P. Parker and 38 others of Brooksville, for a charter for a railroad from Castine via Bluehill, Surry, Ellsworth, Franklin, Cherryfield, Harrington, Columbia, Machias, East Machias, Dennysville, to the city of Calais ;

Petition of Nathaniel Wilson to revive the charter of the Penobscot Railroad Company ;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Alden Moore and associates, for incorporation of the Parker's Bay Ice Company ;

Petition of the citizens of Phippsburg in aid of same ;

Remonstrance of Wm. W. Wallace and 58 others ;

Remonstrance of Parker Duley and others against same ;

Petition of Joseph L. Smith and 225 other citizens of Oldtown, in aid of petition of Charles V. Lord and others ;

Petition of M. A. Roberts and others, in aid of petition of Calvin Kingman and others, for charter to run a steam tow boat on Union river ;

Petition of N. R. Jellerson and others of Ellsworth, for same ;

Petition of Ira Masterman and Charles Fairbanks of Weld, for the right to construct artificial fish ponds in Weld and Phillips ;

Petition of Charles Forbes and other proprietors of Franklin wharf, for permission to extend their wharf ;

Petition of John Appleton and others, for act of incorporation for improving the north branch of Piscataquis river for the driving of logs ;

Petition of D. F. Leavitt and others, for incorporation of the Cooper Brook Dam Company ;

Remonstrance of George Warren and against the prayer of Geo.

W. Hammond and others, for an act to prevent throwing of edgings and other refuse into the waters of the Presumpscot river, were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of John E. Godfrey and others of Bangor, for a Superior Court for Penobscot county; and

Petition of Wm. B. Merrill and 138 others of Auburn, for the repeal of law providing for a State Commissioner for sale of liquors, were referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of Selectmen of Corinth for the reduction of the valuation of said town;

Petition of the Selectmen of Greenbush, for correction of error in valuation of said town;

Memorial of the municipal officers of the town of Whitefield, relating to State Valuation of said town;

Petition of the inhabitants of Richmond, for reduction of State Valuation;

Were referred to the respective County Delegations.

Petition of D. N. Bray and others, for authority to construct a fish weir in Herrick bay;

Petition of Holden and Richardson for authority to build a fish weir;

Petition of R. F. Osgood and 46 others, for a fishway at Eastern river dams;

Petition of H. N. Wheelden and others, for repeal of law of 1870, relating to fishing for smelts;

Petition of Johnson G. Trask, for the same;

Remonstrance of Steward McFadden, against petition of Hiram A. Balch, for fish weir at Bailey's Mistake;

Petition of citizens of Woolwich, for repeal of sec. 12 and 13 of chap. 70, public laws of 1869;

Petition of citizens of Arrowsic, for same;

Petition of Stillman Lord and others, to build a weir on east side of Pleasant river;

Bill "an act to amend the inspection laws of 1857";

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of R. A. Spaulding and 37 others of Norridgewock, for repeal of law of 1870, relative to the hiring of teachers;

Petition of Ephraim Miller and others of Lincolnville;

Petition of Edward Freeman and others of Camden;

Petition of A. Bryant and 98 others of Winthrop;

Petition of Superintending School Committee of Limington, and 27 others ;

Petition of Dexter Smith and 80 others of Litchfield, for same ;

Petition of William H. Meservey and 182 others of Appleton, for repeal of law relating to County Supervisors and the employment of teachers ;

Petition of Mrs. T. R. Hayes and 31 others, for Industrial School for Girls ;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Albert A. Burleigh, to purchase a lot of land in township 5, R. 3, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of Elvira D. Patch, Sarah F. Patch and Harriet E. Patch, for change of name, with bill ;

Petition of William Beverley Decatur, for change of name ;

Petition of Annie E. Steve, for change of name ;

Were referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Mr. PATTEN of Bath, was excused from service on the Committee on Apportionment, and Mr. HAGAR of Richmond, appointed instead.

On motion of Mr. JENKINS of Elliot,

• *Ordered*, That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the expediency of enlarging the fees of Town Clerks.

On motion of Mr. WILLARD of Mercer,

Ordered, That the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges be directed to inquire if any change is necessary in the law, or any further legislation defining or extending the powers and duties of the Railroad Commissioners, in regard to requiring railroad companies to maintain stations or depots for freight and passengers when the public convenience and necessity in their opinions require it.

On motion of Mr. BLISS of Washington,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire whether any legislation is necessary to protect owners of land by reason of the location of school-houses.

On motion of Mr. RAWSON of Bangor,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be requested to

inquire if any amendments are necessary for the purpose of more clearly defining the meaning of chapter 11 of the laws of 1869, entitled "an act in relation to conditional sales of personal property."

On motion of Mr. COBB of Windham,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire as to the expediency of so changing the law relative to county roads and bridges, that they shall be constructed and kept in repair by the several counties, instead of by towns, as at present.

On motion of the same gentleman,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of having section 4, chapter 23 of the revised statutes of 1857, allowing towns to vote at their annual meetings to permit cows and other neat beasts to go at large in the whole or on the specified part of the town, &c., &c., repealed by chapter 216, laws of 1868.

On motion of Mr. REYNOLDS of Lewiston,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending the school laws, so as to include mechanical drawing among the branches of learning required to be taught in town schools.

On motion of Mr. GREEN of Wilton,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so altering the laws in relation to the election of Superintending School Committee, that they may be elected for one year instead of three as now.

On motion of the same gentleman,

Ordered, That the Reports of the Trustees, Farm Superintendent and Treasurer of the College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, be referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

The foregoing orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BLISS of Washington,

Ordered, That Hiram Bliss be instructed to notify Francis Cobb of Rockland, by telegraph, that the bill to incorporate the Cobb Lime Company has been so amended, as to require fifteen days notice to the corporators thereof of the time of first meeting.

Mr. CARLETON of Whitefield, presented bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Cobb Lime Company,"

and under a suspension of the rules, the bill had three several readings, was passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. OSGOOD of Lewiston, asked a suspension of the rules to enable him to move the reconsideration of the vote accepting the report of the Committee to which was referred the petition of E. H. Hill and others, for an act to incorporate the Lewiston School of Medical Instruction.

The rules were suspended and the report and petitions recommended and sent to the Senate.

Mr. LAMB, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on the petition of Stephen A. Wilcox, for an act allowing cattle to run at large in the town of Trescott, reported leave to withdraw.

Same gentleman, from same Committee, reported same on petition of David Stevens and others, asking for an act imposing a tax on the owners and keepers of dogs.

Mr. BLISS, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act to prevent the throwing of edgings, &c., into the waters of Narraguagus river," reported reference to the Committee on Legal Reform.

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. LAMB, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act additional to an act entitled an act to enable the banks of this State to become banking associations under the laws of the United States, approved Feb. 24, 1865," reported ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the bill printed under the rules.

Mr. WHITMORE, from the Committee on Fisheries, on bill "an act authorizing Eliza Morton or her heirs to construct a fish weir in Johnson's bay, Lubec," reported the same ought to pass.

Same gentleman, from same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act authorizing Isaac West to build and maintain a weir in tide waters of Pigeon Hill bay."

Mr. BLISS, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the East Branch Dam Company."

These reports were read and accepted, the bills read twice, and assigned for a third reading to-morrow.

Bill "an act authorizing towns and cities to hold money in trust for certain useful purposes."

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of the Free Baptist Society of the town of Gray."

Bill "an act authorizing A. P. Atherton to construct a fish weir."

Bill "an act authorizing Ezra D. Reed and George Reed to construct a weir."

Bill "an act additional to the acts establishing the Portland and Rochester Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Katahdin Dam Company."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Squirrel Island Association."

"Resolve in favor of the publication of the revised statutes."

This bill and resolve were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the bill read the third, resolve the second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Buxton and Bonny Eagle Branch Railroad Company," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and pending its passage to be engrossed in concurrence, was laid on the table on motion of Mr. ROBIE.

Bill "an act relative to the collection of taxes in the town of Brownfield," pending its passage to be engrossed, was laid on the table on motion of Mr. CLEAVES of Portland.

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Cobb Lime Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot and Lake Megantic Railroad Company."

"Resolve providing for furnishing the Maine State Year Book and Annual Register for the use of the Legislature and the several Departments."

These bills having had three and the resolve two several readings, were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills were passed to be enacted, and the resolve finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. STICKNEY, "resolve in favor of David Dudley," was taken from the table, and on motion of Mr. MARTIN, recommitted to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. GOODWIN, the House
Adjourned.

Z. A. SMITH, *Clerk pro tem.*

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. HATHAWAY of the House.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Petition of East Oxford Agricultural Society, to amend its act of incorporation, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Agriculture, &c.

Petitions of inhabitants of Machias, Northfield, Addison, and Wesley, for repeal of the Calais Court bill; also

Petitions of citizens of Skowhegan and vicinity, and St. Albans and vicinity, for act to change the March term of the Supreme Judicial Court of Somerset county to Skowhegan; and

Petition of the mayor of Augusta for amendment of charter of said city, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of John C. Wheeler for repeal of law relative to the employment of teachers, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of A. & P. Coburn for appropriation to rebuild Moose River Bridge on Canada road;

Petition of Henry O. Perry for deed of lot of land for Mary A. Bean, came from the Senate referred to Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of E. W. McFadden for an act to incorporate the Fairfield Savings Bank, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of George W. Hammond and others, for annulling charter of Cumberland and Oxford Canal Company, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of D. D. Thompson and others to incorporate Haynesville as a town, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Petition of Darius Wellington for fish weir in Hancock harbor, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of Oliver D. Dike for additional compensation as County Commissioner for the County of Cumberland, came from the Senate referred to Cumberland County Delegation.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on Fisheries inquire into the expediency of increasing the number of the Commissioners of Fisheries, and giving them exclusive jurisdiction over the construction of fishways.

Ordered, That the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, inquire if legislation is necessary to protect railroad companies from liability on account of personal injuries sustained by persons holding and using a free pass.

The above orders came from the Senate read and passed, and were passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of G. G. Sterns, reporting bill "an act to extend the limits of the Bangor Boom."

Report of same Committee, reporting bill "an act to authorize Charles B. Sanford and Hugh Ross, to extend their wharf in Penobscot river."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, the bills read twice, and passed to be engrossed. The reports were accepted in concurrence, and the bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned.

Petition of David Bailey and others of Cambridge, referred by the House to Somerset County Delegation, came back from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and the House receded and concurred.

Communication from the Governor in response to an order of the House transmitting information in relation to the completion

of the European and North American Railway, and that the notice required in section 2 of the act providing for defence of the north-eastern frontier has not been given, was received and read.

Petition of the President and Directors of the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad Company, for authority to extend a wharf in Belfast; also

Petition of Edward L. Whittier, for authority to build a wharf in Belfast; also

Petition of Nathan F. Houston for leave to extend a wharf in Belfast; also

Petition of James S. Barker and others, for incorporation of the Kennebec Ice Company; also

Petition of John Neal, for incorporation of the Piscataquis Marine Railway Company; also

Remonstrance of H. B. & B. Hall, against chartering a tug boat on Union river; and

Remonstrance of W. C. Crosby and others, against incorporation of the East Branch Dam Company;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Remonstrances of Wellington Johnson and others, Jeremiah Dow and others, against the division of Somerville, were referred to the Committee on Division of Counties.

Petition of R. Fenderson and others, for repeal of the law establishing County Supervisors; also

Petition of C. Sweron, for aid to the Frenchville High School;

Petition of citizens of Lagrange, for repeal of the law relating to the employment of teachers; and

Petition of Taber Lyon and others, for same;

Remonstrance of O. R. Butler and others;

Remonstrance of G. R. Files and others, against the same;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of S. A. Dinsmore and others, for extension of the charter of the Somerset Railroad;

Petition of the Directors of the Portland and Rochester Railroad Company, for change of charter;

Petition of citizens of Gorham, for charter for railroad from Danville Junction to Gorham;

Petition of Israel Grant and others of Monroe;

Petition of James Morse and others of Newburg and Dixmont, for charter for a branch railroad from Brooks to Bangor;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of David Dinsmore, for damages for false imprisonment; and

Petition of the Selectmen of Bradley, for reimbursement of money paid the State on quota of said town in 1864;

Were referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of William Berry, for an act to make valid the doings of school district number 9 in Burnham; also

Bill "an act to amend the charter of the city of Auburn"; and

Bill "an act relating to the administration of oaths";

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

"Resolve in favor of the inhabitants of No. 1, R. 5, in Oxford county," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Walter Clark and others of Poland, for incorporation of a town insurance company, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of S. G. Cummings and others of Liberty, to be transferred from the Waldo to the Eastern Kennebec Agricultural Society, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of Charles Fairbanks of Phillips, and others, for an act to protect fish in his pond, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of the Assessors of Topsham, for reduction of valuation, was referred to Delegation from Sagadahoc.

Petition of Samuel E. Smith of Wiscasset, for change of valuation of said town, was referred to the Delegation from Lincoln County.

Petition of Selectmen of Naples, for reduction of valuation, was referred to the Delegation from Cumberland County.

Petition of the County Commissioners of Aroostook county, for reimbursement of money paid the State by mistake, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. PIKE of Calais, by leave, laid on the table bill "an act to authorize the formation of Railroad Corporations," which was ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. HOLT of New Sharon,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education be instructed to in-

quire into the expediency of providing by law, that whenever **any** town in this State shall provide a suitable free high school for **the** youth in said town, it is desirable that the State encourage **such** efforts by appropriations of money; the same to be held in **trust** by the State, and the interest to be paid to said town so long **as** said free high school shall be properly maintained in said town; and further, whenever the town shall fail to support said school, **the** principal or appropriation thus granted, shall revert to the State.

On motion of Mr. BONNEY of Portland,

Ordered, That the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, be directed to inquire whether any further legislation **is** necessary to protect insurance companies from embezzlement by sub-agents.

On motion of Mr. COMINS of Eddington,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending section 110 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, so that collector of taxes may collect the taxes upon goods, wares and merchandise, logs, timber, boards and other lumber, stock in trade, including stock employed in the business of any of the mechanic arts, where such property is taxed to non-residents, in the same manner that taxes upon horses, mules and neat cattle, when such animals are taxed to non-residents.

On motion of Mr. CLARK of Lincoln,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform be required to inquire what, if any, changes are necessary in the present school laws of the State.

On motion of Mr. DINGLEY of Auburn,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending section 18, chapter 18 of the revised statutes, so as to allow a hearing to parties interested in laying out town ways.

On motion of Mr. CARLETON of Whitefield,

Ordered, The same Committee inquire into the expediency of prohibiting registers of deeds and persons in their employ in their offices, from acting as conveyancers.

On motion of Mr. HEATH of Waterville,

Ordered, The same Committee inquire into the expediency of repealing chapter 282, special laws of 1870, being a law authorizing the County Commissioners to lay out a highway across the Kennebec river, between Waterville and Winslow.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WILSON of Thomaston,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be requested to furnish for the use of the House, 1000 copies of the census of Maine; also

Ordered, That the Secretary of State furnish each monitor of this House a copy of the last revised statutes, for the use of the House.

Mr. TALBOT, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of William H. Hemenway, for an act to legalize his wharf in Machias, reported reference to the next Legislature.

Mr. BONNEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of Greenleaf Emery and others, for abolition of the Superior Court for Cumberland County, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. HUTCHINGS, from this Committee, reported same on petition of J. S. Bennoch, for change of the law relating to the choice of selectmen of towns.

Mr. BURNHAM, from the Committee on Manufactures, on petition of S. Robinson for incorporation of the Sherman Steam and Water Manufacturing Company, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to the repeal of chapter 119, laws of 1867, authorizing cities and towns to loan money in aid of railroads.

Mr. HUTCHINGS, from the same Committee, reported ought not to pass on bill "an act relating to reviews and new trials."

Mr. BLISS, from the same Committee, reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to recording of orders for payment of wages.

Mr. LORD, from the same Committee, reported same on order relating to limiting the time that judges shall be allowed to confine jurors after notice that they are unable to agree.

Mr. BLISS, from the same Committee, reported reference to the Committee on Interior Waters on bill "an act to incorporate the Ellsworth Boom."

These reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. BLISS, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported ought not to pass on bill "an act to prevent the throwing of edgings and other refuse into Violette brook."

The report was read, and pending the question of acceptance, laid on the table on motion of Mr. KEEGAN of Madawaska.

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reported bill "an act amending section 47 of chapter 81 of the revised statutes."

The report was read and accepted, and the bill ordered to be printed under Joint Rule.

Mr. HUTCHINGS, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to legalize the doings of the town of Madawaska in voting money for school purposes."

Mr. BONNEY, from the same Committee, reported ought to pass on bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the International Telegraph Company."

Mr. CARLETON, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Lewiston School for Medical Instruction."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and tomorrow assigned for the third reading.

Bill "an act to incorporate the East Branch Dam Company."

"Resolve in favor of Salmon Jones."

The foregoing bill and resolve were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, bill read the third, resolve the second time, and recommitted.

Bill "an act authorizing Eliza Morton or her heirs to construct a fish weir in Johnson's bay, Lubec."

Bill "an act authorizing Isaac West to rebuild a weir in tide waters of Pigeon Hill bay."

"Resolve in favor of Abigail Davis."

The foregoing bills and resolve were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, bills read the third, resolve the second time, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to authorize the Treasurer of the County of Cumberland to pay the Judge and Register of Probate, certain sums of money."

Bill "an act to incorporate and prescribe the duties and powers of the Penobscot County Poultry Society."

Bill "an act to authorize the Eastport Hotel Company to hire money and secure the same by a mortgage on the company's property."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Richmond Savings Bank."

Bill "an act authorizing the inhabitants of Bristol to change the location of the northerly end of the bridge leading on to Ruth-
erford's island over tide waters in said town."

Bill "an act to continue the powers of the President, Directors
and Company of the Alfred Bank."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Knox Masonic Temple Com-
pany."

The foregoing bills having had three several readings, and
passed to be engrossed, were reported by the Committee on En-
grossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, passed to be enacted,
signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bucksport Young Men's Mutual
Life Insurance Company"; and

Bill "an act to incorporate the Madagascal Dam Company";

Were taken from the table, and passed to be engrossed in con-
currence.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. SARGENT of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Petition of inhabitants of Oxford county, for correction of errors
in the State valuation, came from the Senate referred to the dele-
gation from said county.

Petition of J. A. Milliken, for increase of the salary of Register
of Probate for Washington county, came from the Senate referred
to the Washington County Delegation.

Bill "an act relating to the location of school-houses," came
from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of J. J. Parlin and others of Anson, in favor of holding

the March term of the Supreme Judicial Court at Skowhegan, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Remonstrance of Lyndon Oak and others of Garland, against incorporation of the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, reporting reference to the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act additional to chapter 92 of the revised statutes, relating to flowing of land."

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, reporting ought to pass on bill "an act to incorporate the United Trustees of the Free and Accepted Masons at Bath"; also

Reporting ought to pass on bill "an act to make valid the doings of John Robinson as a Notary Public."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Cobbossee Ice Company, passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate amended as per sheet "A" and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded, adopted amendment "A," and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to repeal the acts consolidated in the revised statutes of the year 1871."

Bill "an act to repeal an act entitled an act to repeal the acts consolidated in the revised statutes of the year 1870."

Bill "an act to repeal the acts consolidated in the revised statutes of the year 1871."

The foregoing bills came back from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

Laid on the table, on motion of Mr. WILSON of Thomaston.

Petition of Mrs. F. S. Beals and others, and Mrs. S. Hume and others, ladies of Portland; and,

Petition of the city of Portland, for an Industrial School for Girls; also

Petition of W. T. Hobart and others, for change of the school laws of 1870, relating to the employment of teachers; and

Remonstrance of Alfred Wentworth and others, against the same;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of J. G. Reynolds and others of Lubec, and S. H. Bradbury and others, for repeal of an act to change the time of holding court in Washington county; and

Remonstrance of Enoch Foster and others, against the same; also

Petition of Joel T. Crooker and others, for a Superior Court for the County of Oxford; also

Petition of N. S. Harlan and others, in aid of the Mercantile Association of Bangor; also

Petition of J. S. Spaulding and others, and Dinsmore Cleveland and others, for March term of the Supreme Judicial Court of Somerset county to be holden at Skowhegan; also

Bill "an act to amend an act incorporating the Rockland and Thomaston Gas Light Company"; also

Petition of Samuel W. Hoskins and others of Oldtown, for authority to lay out a way; also

Petition of William McCartney, for an act to incorporate School District No. 5 in West Waterville, as a fire department; and

Remonstrances of Samuel Bunker and others, G. A. Fletcher and Joseph Atkinson and others, against holding March term of Supreme Judicial Court for Somerset county at Skowhegan;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of citizens of Machias and Millbridge, for railroad from Castine to Calais;

Petition of James A. Milliken and others of Cherryfield, for same;

Petition of G. W. S. Putnam and others, for charter of the Portland and York Shore Line Railroad Company;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Albert Johnson and others, for increase of the capital stock of the Warren Manufacturing Company;

Petition of B. B. Shepherd and others of Skowhegan, for authority to aid manufactures in said town;

Petition of Whitman A. Holt, for authority to run a steamboat on Webb's pond;

Petition of B. R. Rollins, in aid of the same;

Remonstrance of J. G. Mayo, against petition of G. M. Weston, for authority to erect dams on the north branch of Piscataquis river;

Petitions of J. H. Rook and others, John Read and others, and H. L. K. Wiggin, for amendment of the charter of the Auburn Aqueduct Company;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Bill "an act to authorize jailers to administer oaths required by law to poor debtors and poor persons while confined in jail";

Remonstrance of W. E. Morris and another, against enlargement of the powers of constables;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of Rufus G. Curtis, for pension, was referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Petition of Winslow Bates and another, for increase of the salary of the Register of Probate for Washington county;

Petition of inhabitants of plantation No. 14, for reduction of valuation;

Were referred to the Washington County Delegation.

Petition of A. J. Lane and others of plantation No. 2, R. 2, west of Kennebec river, for change of name to Highland, was referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Petition of John W. Coffin, for incorporation of the Cherryfield Savings Bank, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Remonstrances of Anson Fisher and others of Corinna, Elijah P. Buxton and others, George S. Hill, Stewart Patterson and others, Eben S. Huntington and others, J. P. Sinclair and others, Charles Tate and others, S. G. Jerrard and others, John Townsend and others, and Hall Bagley and others, against division of the West Penobscot Agricultural Society, were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of Peter C. Allen, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. HEAL of Westport,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the law that the prevailing party in a suit may recover in his bill of costs, travel for

his witnesses who have come from out of this State, for the number of miles actually travelled beyond the line of the State.

On motion of Mr. RAWSON of Bangor,

Ordered, The same Committee inquire into the expediency of repealing section 3 of chapter 25 of statutes of 1869, entitled an act regulating the sale of milk.

On motion of Mr. HEATH of Waterville,

Ordered, The Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the expediency of amending the law relating to assignments of dower to widows on wood lands.

On motion of Mr. SEWALL of Oldtown,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of repealing all acts and resolves pledging the faith of this State to pay annually sums of money for the support of any school, managed, kept or controlled by any particular sect of christians.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON of Dover,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads be instructed to inquire into the expediency of making an appropriation to aid in building the State road leading from Brighton to Moosehead Lake.

On motion of Mr. TALBOT of East Machias,

Ordered, The Committee on Banks and Banking inquire into the expediency of so amending the tax law as to make all sums of money deposited in any savings bank, above the sum of \$200, subject to tax, as any other property, except such as belongs to widows' orphans and minor children.

On motion of Mr. CARLETON of Whitefield,

Ordered, That the State Treasurer be directed to deliver to the treasurer of Alna, on his order, the bonds amounting to \$300, with the coupons thereon, as reimbursement in part of municipal war debts of said town, heretofore withholden on account of a supposed claim on the part of the State against said town, which said claim has been found incorrect and cancelled. This order was referred to the Committee on Claims.

The foregoing orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. COUSENS of Kennebunkport, presented the following, which was ordered to be printed :

Amendment to "an act to authorize the formation of railroad

corporations." In the section after the words, "in order that all persons interested may have an opportunity to appear and object thereto," insert the following:

"But no objection shall be considered conclusive or location refused, solely because said proposed railway may run parallel to or come in competition with any other existing or proposed railroad."

On motion of Mr. WILSON of Thomaston,

Ordered, That the Governor be requested to inform this House when in his opinion the revised statutes can be printed and bound ready for distribution; also

Ordered, That the Secretary of State procure 500 additional copies of the census, for the use of the House.

On motion of HAMMOND of Paris,

Ordered, That the Clerk of the House be instructed to furnish each member of the Board of Agriculture with one copy of the Daily Kennebec Journal, during the remainder of the session of the Legislature,

Mr. HAMMOND of Paris, presented the following order, which was laid on the table:

Ordered, That after this day, all petitions, orders, bills or resolves presented to this House, be referred without debate to the next Legislature.

Mr. COLBURN, from the Committee on Education, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of Ira A. Philbrick, for aid to Parsonsfield Academy; also

Reported same, on petition for aid to the Fort Fairfield High School.

Mr. NORCROSS, from same Committee, reported same, on petition for aid to the Lee Normal Academy; also

Reported same, on petition for aid to the Mattanawcook Academy.

Mr. BRAGDON, from the same Committee, reported same, on petition for aid to the Norway Liberal Institute.

Mr. HATHAWAY, from this Committee, reported same, on petition for aid to Bridgton Academy.

Mr. CLARK, from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, reported same, on petition of inhabitants of Independence plantation, for an act of incorporation.

Mr. TALBOT, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported same, on petition of Calvin Kingman, for charter to run a steam tow boat on Union river.

Mr. WHITMORE, from the Committee on Fisheries, reported same, on petition of J. S. Bartlett, for legislation in regard to taking eels in Damariscotta river.

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. BRAGDON, from the Committee on Education, reported leave to withdraw, on petition for aid to Limerick Academy.

Mr. HOLT, from this Committee, reported same, on petition for aid to Presque Isle Academy.

These reports were read and laid on the table.

Mr. COMINS, from the Committee on Claims, reported leave to withdraw on petition of the overseers of the poor of Gouldsboro', for aid to Mary McDonald, an Indian girl.

The report was read, and amended on motion of Mr. COMINS, by referring the same to the Governor and Council, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. ATWELL, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize manufacturing corporations to flow flats and marshes of salt water rivers."

The report was read and accepted, and the bill ordered to be printed under joint rule.

Mr. HOBART, from the Committee on Finance, reported bill "an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government."

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice, ordered to be printed, and Wednesday of next week assigned for the third reading.

Mr. ATWELL, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of William McGilvery, reported bill "an act to amend an act to authorize Charles E. Dole to build a wharf in Brewer, approved February 17, 1869."

Mr. GETCHELL, from same Committee, reported ought to pass on bill "an act authorizing Zina H. Hodgdon to extend and maintain his wharf in Boothbay."

The same member, from same Committee, reported same on bill "an act to authorize Ephraim K. Smart to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Camden harbor."

Mr. HASKELL, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebunk Savings Bank."

Mr. WADSWORTH, from same Committee, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to incorporate the Pembroke Savings Bank."

Mr. REED, from same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to change the name of the York County Five Cents' Savings Institution."

Mr. ROBIE, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Alfred and South Berwick Railroad Company."

Mr. POTTER, from the Committee on Education, on petition, reported bill "an act to change the corporate name of the Second Universalist Society of the city of Portland."

Mr. MARTIN, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition, reported "resolve in favor of Joshua Chamberlain"; also

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to locate certificate No. 31, issued under resolve of the Legislature, approved March 20, 1838."

These reports were read accepted, bills read twice, resolves once, and to-morrow assigned.

Bill "an act to authorize Charles B. Sanford and Hugh Ross to extend their wharf into Penobscot river," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the International Telegraph Company."

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of the town of Madawaska in voting money for school purposes."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Lewiston School for Medical Instruction."

The foregoing bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to extend the time within which Pushaw Dam Company may complete works as per charter granted by Legislature of 1868."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Eastern Marble Company."

Bill "an act authorizing the inhabitants of the town of Norway to exempt certain property from taxation."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Phillips Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Bill "an act authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen."

Bill "an act to incorporate the St. Mark's Home for Poor and Indigent Women in Augusta."

Bill "an act to authorize A. L. Frohock and others to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Penobscot river in the town of Lincolnville."

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to extend the charter of the Rockland Fire and Marine Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to change the name of the Portland Tenement House Company and to grant further powers to the same."

Bill "an act to make valid the acts and proceedings of the town of Kingsbury."

Bill "an act authorizing the Selectmen of Wells to locate and build a way across Webhannet river in said town."

Bill "an act to authorize the Wesleyan Methodist Society of Augusta to borrow money."

Bill "an act authorizing M. E. Pierce and Company to extend and maintain their wharf."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bar Harbor and Mt. Desert Telegraph Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Squirrel Island Association."

Bill "an act to authorize R. A. and W. A. Friend to extend their wharf into the tide waters of Centre harbor."

Bill "an act empowering towns, cities and village corporations, to make by-laws and ordinances in certain cases."

Bill "an act to repeal an act to revise and consolidate the public laws of the State."

"Resolve in relation to the completion of the publication of the revised statutes."

"Resolve to authorize the county of Penobscot to procure a loan."

The foregoing bills having had three and the resolves two several readings and passed to be engrossed, were reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills passed to be enacted, resolves finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. EMERICK of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Petition of Clark E. Smith, for the March term of the Supreme Judicial Court to be holden at Skowhegan ; and

Remonstrance of D. W. Dinsmore, against legalization of the doings of the town of Harrington, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Ordered, That the report of the Adjutant General be referred to Committee on Military Affairs.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of providing that a certain number of copies of the revised statutes, for the use of the Legislature and the several county law libraries throughout the State, be bound with blank interleaves, and that it be made the duty of the proper officers at the close of each session of the Legislature to note in such copies of the statutes so bound, and opposite the sections and chapters affected, all alterations and amendments in the public laws.

The foregoing came from the Senate read and passed, and were read and passed in concurrence.

Ordered, That the report of the Board and Commissioner of Immigration be referred to a Joint Select Committee, consisting of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and Messrs. Lane of Cumberland, Dudley of Aroostook, and Foster of Kennebec, appointed said Committee.

This order was read and passed in concurrence, and the Speaker appointed Messrs. Hacker of Fort Fairfield, Bonney of Portland, Reed of Waldoborough, Moore of Buckfield, Ray of Westbrook, Cousens of Kennebunkport, and Chapin of Monson, on the part of the House.

Report of the Committee on Claims, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Timothy Dowing, for damages for false imprisonment.

Report of the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, reporting same on petition of Joseph E. Shorey, for incorporation of Bancroft plantation as a town.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Bucksport Village Corporation."

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition, reporting bill "an act to authorize the construction of a wharf in the town of York."

Report of the same Committee, on petition, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Piscataquis Reservoir Dam Company."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting ought to pass on bill "an act to amend an act to revise and consolidate the public laws of the State."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were accepted in concurrence, and the bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned.

A communication was received from the Governor, in response to an order of the House, transmitting the information that, in his opinion, the work of printing, binding and distributing the revised statutes, cannot be properly done before the 1st of July next.

Bill "an act to authorize the city of Belfast to purchase the first mortgage bonds of the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad Company, and for other purposes," was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of Abbie D. Hersey and others, ladies of Portland, for an Industrial School for Girls; also

Petition of Usher B. Thompson and others, for change of ~~the~~ school laws establishing County Supervisors of Schools and ~~for~~ the employment of teachers; and

Remonstrance of J. Woodman and others, against the same;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of A. C. Peavy, for change of the name of Willie A. Ames and for his adoption, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. HAGAR of Richmond,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform consider what legislation, if any, is needed giving part owners or joint tenants or tenants in common in any estate, more speedy remedies than now exists by possession and enforcement of their individual rights.

This order was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BONNEY of Portland,

Ordered, That the Clerk be and hereby is directed to publish the Journal of the House for distribution.

Mr. HUTCHINGS, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported leave to withdraw on petition for a Superior Court for Oxford county.

The report was read and recommitted, on motion of Mr. WALL of Hallowell.

Mr. BURGESS, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reported leave to withdraw on petition for incorporation of Cape Elizabeth Railroad Company.

Mr. BONNEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Elias Mitchell for incorporation of the Buckfield and Turner Union Cemetery Company.

Mr. COBB, from the Committee on Legal Reform, reported same on petition of Lewis Davis for change of the law relating to partition fences between improved lands; also

Reported same on petition of Jonathan Haskell for change of law in relation to partition fences.

Mr. HOPKINS, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reported same on petition of Nathan Smart for charter for an express from Houlton to Danforth.

Mr. HOBSON, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported same on petition of George W. Hammond for an act to prevent the throwing of edgings into the Presumpscot river.

Mr. HACKER, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported same on petition of George W. Knight for deed of a lot of land.

Mr. STICKNEY, from the Aroostook County Delegation, on petition for the union of Presque Isle and Maysville, reported reference to the next Legislature, with order of notice.

Mr. BRAGDON, from the Committee on Education, reported legislation inexpedient, on order relating to the election of Superintending School Committees.

Mr. BLOSSOM, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reported same, on order relating to the propriety of requiring foreign insurance companies doing business in cities or towns where there is a fire company, to pay the officers and men of said company a per centage of their premiums.

Mr. COBB, from the Committee on Legal Reform, reported same, on order relative to enlarging the powers of constables.

Mr. PIKE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported same, on order inquiring into the expediency of providing by law that no person shall recover damages on account of defective highways, who has his residence in a place where no such liability exists.

The same gentleman reported same, on order relative to empowering overseers of the poor of any town to restrain the husband and father from mispending his earnings; also

Reported ought not to pass, on bill "an act regulating transfer of actions from State Courts to Courts of the United States."

These reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. PIKE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reported bill "an act concerning the liability of railroads for defective crossings."

Mr. KNAPP, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on order, reported bill "an act to increase the fees of town clerks."

These reports were read and accepted, and the bills ordered to be printed under joint rule.

Mr. MARTIN, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition, reported a "resolve in favor of David Dudley."

The report was read and accepted, resolve read once, and tabled, on motion of Mr. STICKNEY of Presque Isle.

Mr. PIKE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition, reported bill "an act to enlarge the powers of constables in the town of Eastport."

Mr. LORD, from the same Committee, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Camden Village Corporation, approved Feb. 14, 1867."

Mr. SNOWMAN, from the Committee on Fisheries, on petition, reported bill "an act authorizing D. N. Bray to build and maintain a weir in the tide waters of Herrick's bay in Brooklin.

Mr. COUSENS, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act additional to the charter of the National Insurance Company of Bangor; also

Reported same, on bill "an act additional to the charter of the Eastern Insurance Company of Bangor."

Mr. POTTER, from the Committee on Education, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Trustees of the East Lebanon Academy."

Mr. ATWELL, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize Hatcil Delano to extend a wharf into tide waters at Verona."

Mr. HOBSON, from the same Committee, reported ought to pass on bill "an act authorizing Henry A. DeWitt and J. Manchester Haynes to maintain their wharf in Richmond."

Mr. HEATH, from the Committee on Legal Reform, reported same on bill "an act to amend the charter of the city of Auburn."

Mr. HACKER, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition, reported "resolve in favor of John S. Arnold and Warren Dwinell."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Alfred and South Berwick Railroad Company," was read the third time, and ordered to be printed, on motion of Mr. COUSENS of Kennebunkport.

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of John T. Robinson as notary public"; and

Bill "an act to incorporate the United Trustees of Free and Accepted Masons";

Were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to change the name of the York County Five Cents Savings Institution."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebunk Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Pembroke Savings Bank."

Bill "an act authorizing Ephraim K. Smart to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Camden harbor."

Bill "an act authorizing Zina H. Hodgdon to extend and maintain his wharf in Boothbay."

Bill "an act to change the corporate name of the Second Universalist Society of the city of Portland."

"Resolve in favor of Joshua Chamberlain."

The foregoing bills and resolve were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the bills read the third time, resolve the second time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the West Branch Dam Company," having had three several readings, and passed to be engrossed, was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act in addition to the acts incorporating the European and North American Railway Company," was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. PIKE, and ordered to be printed.

Bill "an act additional to and amendatory of an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad Company," was taken from the table, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting ought not to pass on bill "an act to prevent the throwing of edgings into Violette brook," was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. KEEGAN, and accepted.

Bill "an act to repeal the acts consolidated in the revised statutes of the year 1871."

Bill "an act to repeal an act entitled an act to repeal the acts consolidated in the revised statutes of the year 1870."

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to revise and consolidate the public laws of the State, approved January 25, 1871."

These bills were taken from the table, and the House insisted on its vote passing the same to be engrossed, and proposed a Committee of Conference, and the Speaker appointed Messrs. Wilson of Thomaston, and Bonney and Cleaves of Portland, conferees.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. ROBIE of Gorham,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. PENNEY of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Petition of D. R. Stockwell and G. S. Chalmers, for reimbursement of money paid the State for taxes, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Claims, and was referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting reference to the Committee on Indian Affairs on the report of the S. S. Committee of Greenbush.

Report of same Committee, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of O. N. Bradbury for aid to the Springfield High School.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reporting same on petition of George Goodwin and others, for charter for a railroad from some point on the Portland, Saco and Portsmouth Railroad to some point on the Portland and Rochester in Alfred.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of John Ware and others, for aid to complete the county road between Brighton and Kingsbury, in Somerset county.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reporting legislation inexpedient on order relating to exemption of town insurance companies from taxation.

Report of the Washington County Delegation, reporting leave to withdraw on petition for reconstruction of act of 1870 relative to the pay of County Commissioners of said county.

Report of the Penobscot County Delegation, reporting same on petition for reduction of the valuation of the towns of Newport, Corinth and Greenbush.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture and the College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, reporting ought to pass on bill "an act additional to chapter 43 of the revised statutes of 1871, relating to true meridian lines."

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of T. W. Baldwin and others, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Pond Stream Dam Company."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting ought to pass on bill "an act to incorporate the Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Good Templars of Maine."

The foregoing reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, and Monday assigned.

"Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on State Prison," came from the Senate read twice, and passed to be engrossed; and was read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to repeal an act entitled an act to incorporate the Cobb Lime Company," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

The House non-concurred, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Remonstrance of Sharon Roberts and others, and B. W. Briggs, against petition of Charles Foster, for authority to build a dam across the outlet of Northeast pond in Hartford;

Remonstrance of J. C. Towle and others, against petition of D. Sargent, for authority to control the waters of Segeunkedunk stream in Orrington;

Remonstrance of Lewis Simpson, against increase of the tolls of the Birch Stream Dam Company ;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of F. A. Simpson and others of Carmel, for repeal of the law relating to the employment of teachers ; and

Petition of A. Milliken and others, for same ;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Isaac Wilder and others, and of the inhabitants of Harrington, for repeal of the law changing the time and place of holding court in Washington county, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. REED of No. 11,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads be instructed to inquire into the expediency of making an appropriation for the repair of the Military road which leads over lands owned by the State.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. COLBURN, from the Committee on Education, reported legislation inexpedient, on order, relating to State uniformity of text books.

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported same, on order, relating to allowing cattle to run at large in highways, by vote of towns at annual meetings.

Mr. COLBURN, from the Committee on Education, reported ought not to pass, on "resolve in favor of the Etna High School."

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought not to pass on bill "an act to enable women to whom a divorce is granted upon their own libels to take their maiden names."

Mr. BREWER, from the Committee on Division of Counties, reported same on petition of Orrin Gilpatrick and others, for division of the town of Somerville, and that it be annexed to Washington, Jefferson and Windsor ; also

Reporting same on petition of David Townsend and others, praying that a part of Somerville be set off to Washington.

Mr. HOPKINS, from the Committee on Division of Towns, reported reference to the next Legislature, with order of notice, on petition of Isaac Bearce to be set off from Meddybemps to Baring.

Mr. TAYLOR, from the same Committee, reported same on petition of Asa Strickland and others to be set off from Embden to New Portland.

Mr. ATWELL, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported reference to the next Legislature on bill "an act to prevent the throwing of edgings and other refuse into the Kennebec river."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. KEEGAN, from the Committee on Education, reported ought not to pass on bill "an act to repeal an act to amend chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the employment of teachers."

Mr. HATHAWAY, from the same Committee, reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to County Supervisors of schools.

The foregoing were read, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. CARLETON of Whitefield.

Mr. BONNEY, from the Committee on Elections, on the remonstrance of Gideon A. Hastings against the right of Moses C. Foster to a seat in this House, reported a statement of facts, as follows:

The Committee on Elections, to which was referred the remonstrance of Gideon A. Hastings of Bethel, against the right of Moses C. Foster to a seat in this House, have had the same under consideration and ask leave to report—

The following table contains an exhibit of the votes cast at the September election for Representative to the Legislature from the several towns and plantations composing the district for which Moses C. Foster is the sitting member, as appears from the returns made to the office of the Secretary of State.

	Moses C. Foster.	Gideon A. Hastings.	A. Hast- ings.	Maj. A. Hastings.	Maj. Hastings.
Bethel,	232	217	—	1	1
Hanover,	21	29	—	—	—
Newry,	30	47	—	—	—
Grafton,	9	10	—	—	—
Upton,	18	11	—	—	—
Lincoln pl.,	2	—	—	—	—
Hamlin Grant pl.,	6	—	14	—	—
	<u>318</u>	<u>314</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

The only point of controversy in the case, which appeared before your Committee was, whether the votes of Hamlin's Grant plantation, cast for "A. Hastings," should be counted and allowed for Gideon A. Hastings. If so counted and allowed, Gideon A. Hastings has a right to a seat in this House; if not so counted and allowed, the sitting member is entitled to retain his position.

The evidence presented to the Committee, consisting of two affidavits which are made a part of this report, was very limited, and not of the most satisfactory quality, but the sitting member waived all objections to their admission and the Committee considered them as legal evidence, notwithstanding their *ex parte* character.

The following are the affidavits referred to :

We, J. B. Merrill, J. G. Burns Stilman Blanchard, Harrison Buck, Peter Brooks, John A. Buck, Prescott F. Brooks, John Buck, P. W. Brooks, O. G. Swan, Alonzo D. Morgan, A. S. Richards, Cyrus Cole and Hiram Day,* of Hamlin's Grant in the county of Oxford and State of Maine, on oath depose, make affidavit and say that we were lawfully qualified voters of Hamlin's Grant; aforesaid, under the constitution and laws of the State of Maine, on the second Monday of September, A. D. 1870, and that we did vote on said second Monday of September, A. D. 1870, for State and County officers and Representative to the next Legislature of this State, and that we severally voted for A. Hastings for Representative to said Legislature, we severally believing and intending to vote for Major Gideon A. Hastings of Bethel, in the county of Oxford and State of Maine, that we have severally known Major Gideon A. Hastings many years, and have always heard him called and known by the name of Alphonso Hastings, and supposed that he had not any other name than Alphonso, and that if we had known that the said Alphonso's name was Gideon A. Hastings, we should all and each of us severally voted for said Hastings by the name of Gideon A. Hastings instead of A. Hastings, as we then and there did; that the Bethel Representative District is composed of the following towns and plantations, to wit: Bethel, Newry, Hanover, Grafton, Riley plantation, Lincoln plantation, No. 5, Range 1 plantation, and Hamlin's Grant plantation, as we understand the limits of the district, and that there is not any other man

in this district by the name of A. Hastings or Gideon A. Hastings.

J. B. Merrill,	John Buck,
J. G. Burns,	P. W. Brooks,
Stilman Blanchard,	G. G. Swan,
Harrison Buck,	Alonzo D. Morgan,
Peter Brooks,	A. S. Richards,
John A. Buck,	Cyrus Cole,
Prescott F. Brooks,	Hiram Day.

State of Maine, Oxford ss.

On this seventeenth day of September, 1870, personally appeared the parties who signed the foregoing affidavit, and severally made oath that the same was signed by them, and is true.

Before me, DAVID F. BROWN, *Trial Justice*.

We, William H. Pearson, Clerk, Ansel Moody and J. B. Merrill, Assessors of Hamlin's Grant, in the county of Oxford, on oath depose, make affidavit and say, that we are Clerk and Assessors of Hamlin's Grant plantation in the county of Oxford and State of Maine, that we acted as such at the election held in said plantation on the second Monday of September, A. D. 1870, for State, county officers and Representative to the next Legislature of this State, and that the following names of persons resident in this plantation were on the check list used in said election, and that they were present and voted: J. B. Merrill, J. G. Burns, Stilman Blanchard, Harrison Buck, Peter Brooks, John A. Buck, Prescott F. Brooks, John Buck, P. W. Brooks, O. G. Swan, Alonzo D. Morgan, A. S. Richards, Cyrus Cole, Hiram Day.

(Signed)

W. H. PEARSON, *Clerk*.

ANSEL MOODY, } *Assessors of*
J. B. MERRILL, } *Hamlin's Gt. Pl.*

State of Maine, Oxford ss.

On this seventeenth day of September, 1870, personally appeared the parties who signed the foregoing affidavit, and severally made oath that the same was signed by them, and is true.

Before me, DAVID F. BROWN, *Trial Justice*.

The only other piece of evidence presented to the Committee was the return of the votes given in Hamlin's Grant plantation for Representative to the Legislature on the second Monday of Sept. A. D. 1868, as made to the Secretary of State, at which election

Gideon A. Hastings, the present remonstrant, was a candidate for the same office, as at the last election, and this return is as follows : Israel G. Kimball, 10 votes ; Gideon A. Hastings, 11 votes.

This evidence was considered carefully, and after repeatedly unavailing efforts to obtain a full meeting of the Committee the subject was taken up at a meeting held on the second instant, and voted upon, six members being present.

Messrs. Harriman, Perkins and Bonney voted that the remonstrant have leave to withdraw, and that the sitting member, Moses C. Foster, retain his seat.

Messrs. Carleton, Jenkins and Clook voted that Gideon A. Hastings was legally elected Representative to the Legislature from the Bethel class, and that he is entitled to take his seat in this House.

Mr. Knapp was absent.

The Committee being thus equally divided and unable to make either a majority or a minority report, asked to be excused from the further consideration of the matter, and beg leave to submit the facts to the House for its action thereon.

The report was ordered to be printed.

Mr. ANDERSON, from the Committee on Fisheries, on petition of inhabitants of Eastport, reported bill "an act relative to inspection of herring."

The report was read and accepted, and the bill ordered to be printed.

Mr. ATWELL, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported ought to pass on bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Penobscot Log Driving Company."

Mr. TALBOT, from the same Committee, on petition of John Neal, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Piscataqua Railway Company."

Mr. HACKER, from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on petition of James T. Wiggin and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the town of Codyville."

Mr. GREEN, from the Committee on Agriculture, on petition of B. W. Blanchard and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Carroll Trotting Park Association."

Mr. CLEAVES, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on

petition of David Butters, reported bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Prentiss."

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass on "resolve in favor of the inhabitants of R. 5, No. 11, in Oxford county."

Printed bill "an act additional to an act to enable the banks of this State to become banking associations under the laws of the United States, approved Feb. 24, 1865."

Printed bill "an act to amend section 29, chapter 81 of the revised statutes."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolve once, and Monday assigned for the third reading of the bills, and Wednesday of next week for the second reading of the resolve.

Bill "an act authorizing manufacturing corporations to flow the flats and marshes of salt water rivers, was read twice, and tabled on motion of Mr. BLISS of Washington.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Trustees of the East Lebanon Academy," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and tabled by Mr. SMITH of Parsonsfield.

Bill "an act to extend the limits of the Bangor Boom Corporation."

Bill "an act to authorize the construction of a wharf in the town of York."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bucksport Village Corporation."

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to revise and consolidate the public laws of the State."

The foregoing bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act authorizing D. W. Bray, to build and maintain a weir in the tide waters of Herrick's bay in Brooklin, in front of his own land."

Bill "an act to amend an act to authorize Charles E. Dole to build a wharf in Brewer, approved Feb. 17, 1869."

Bill "an act to authorize Hatcil Delano to extend a wharf into tide waters at Verona."

Bill "an act authorizing Henry A. DeWitt and J. Manchester Haynes to extend and maintain their wharf in Richmond."

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Camden Village Corporation."

Bill "an act to enlarge the powers of constables in the town of Eastport."

Bill "an act additional to the charter of the National Insurance Company of Bangor."

Bill "an act additional to the charter of the Eastern Insurance Company of Bangor."

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to locate certificate No. 31, issued under resolve of the Legislature, approved March 20, 1888."

The foregoing bills and resolve were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, bills read the third, resolve the second time, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act additional to the acts establishing the Portland and Rochester Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to reduce the valuation of the town of Veazie and add the amount of such reduction to the valuation of the city of Bangor."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Katahdin Dam Company."

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of the proprietors of the Free Baptist Meeting House of the town of Gray."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Cobbossee Ice Company."

Bill "an act authorizing A. P. Atherton to construct a fish weir at Moose island in Tremont."

Bill "an act to authorize Charles B. Sanford and Hugh Ross to extend their wharf into Penobscot river."

Bill "an act authorizing I. F. McClench, Abbie E. McClench and Sally McClench, to extend a wharf at Sheppard's point in Hallowell."

Bill "an act authorizing Ezra D. Reed and George Reed to construct a fish weir at Moose island in Tremont."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Madagascan Dam Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bucksport Young Men's Mutual Life Insurance Company."

The foregoing bills having had three several readings and passed to be engrossed, were reported by the Committee on Engrossed

Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. HATHAWAY of the House.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Remonstrance of Freedom Ramsdell and others, against making valid the doings of the town of Harrington ; and

“ Resolve in relation to the binding of the acts and resolves of this State,” came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and were referred in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Judiciary Committee be directed to examine sections 11 and 13 of chapter 87, revised statutes, relating to actions by or against executors and administrators, for the purpose of determining whether any amendment is necessary to render more certain its meaning.

Ordered, That the Judiciary Committee examine sections 44 and 47 of chapter 27, revised statutes, concerning intoxicating liquors, for the purpose of determining whether any amendment is necessary to render more certain its meaning.

These orders came from the Senate read and passed, and were read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, reporting reference to the next Legislature, with order of notice, on petition of Louis Cormier, to be set off from Grant Isle to Madawaska.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition, reporting bill “ an act to authorize the town of Cape Elizabeth to lay out, construct and maintain a highway into the tide waters of Portland harbor.”

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting ought to pass on bill "an act surrendering the charter of the Maine State Seminary;" also

Reporting same on bill "an act in relation to the Literary Fraternity and the Philomathean Society."

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reporting same on bill "an act to authorize the Leeds and Farmington Railroad Company to issue its bonds to stockholders."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned.

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, reporting a "resolve making appropriations for the Passamaquoddy Indians," came from the Senate read and accepted, resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted, resolve read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

A message was received from the Senate, informing the House that in the absence of the President, Hon. T. W. Vose had been chosen President *pro tempore*.

Remonstrance of A. P. Benjamin and others, against incorporation of a fire department at West Waterville;

Bill "an act to amend section 13, chapter 18 of the revised statutes";

Bill "an act giving the inhabitants of that part of Frankfort annexed to Monroe, by act of 1863, chapter 226, their portion of money paid by the State to Frankfort, under act of 1868, chapter 225";

Remonstrance of Moses Winslow and others of Fairfield, against holding the March term of the Supreme Judicial Court for Somerset county at Skowhegan; and

Remonstrances of J. H. Sawyer and others of Norridgewock, Isaac W. Varney and others of Smithfield, J. W. Whittier and others, J. W. Hathaway and others, W. H. Brown of Madison, and J. H. Pattee and others of Smithfield, against the same;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of the Selectmen of Jefferson, for separate representa-

tion of said town, was referred to the Committee on Apportionment.

Petition of J. B. Coffin and others of Harrington, for a railroad from Castine to Calais, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of Otis and John Pugsly, for change of name, were referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. HAMMOND of Paris,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the revised statutes, by inserting after the word "property" in the fourth line of section 5, chapter 6, the words "all promissory notes or other written contracts for the payment of certain sums of money," wherein it is stipulated that the goods and chattels for which the note is given, shall remain the property of the payee until payment.

On motion of Mr. BLISS of Washington,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of requiring municipal officers to prepare and have printed, an exhibit of the indebtedness of towns, seven days before the annual meeting.

On motion of Mr. KEEGAN of Madawaska,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire whether any further legislation is necessary for the protection of the rights of mill owners.

On motion of Mr. WILSON of Thomaston,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the necessity of further legislation upon removing prisoners from one county jail to another for their greater security; also

Ordered, That the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges inquire into the expediency of changing section 21 of chapter 51 of the revised statutes, in relation to fencing railroads.

On motion of Mr. CARLETON of Whitefield,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education be requested to report as soon as convenient to the House, for the information of the Legislature, the whole number of petitions and the whole number of names of persons thereon, asking the repeal of the law relating to the employment of teachers; also the whole number of

remonstrances and the whole number of names of persons thereon, opposing said repeal.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. LANE, from the Committee on Agriculture and the College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, on petition of J. G. Cummings and others, to be transferred from the Waldo to the Eastern Kennebec Agricultural Society, reported reference to the next Legislature, with order of notice.

The report was read, accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. WHITMORE, from the Committee on Fisheries, on petition, reported bill "an act to repeal section 1, chapter 120, public laws of 1870, relating to the taking of porgies or menhaden in the waters of Maine."

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reported bill "an act to exempt females from arrest for debt."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, and the bills ordered to be printed under joint rule.

Mr. CARLETON, from the Committee on Legal Reform, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Merchants' Warehouse Company, approved March 10, 1870."

Mr. CLEAVES, from same Committee, reported same on bill "an act to amend chapter 348, public laws of 1870, conferring certain powers on the city of Portland."

Mr. BLISS, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize E. K. Harding and others to build and maintain a wharf in Small Point harbor."

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass on "resolve in favor of the inhabitants of Riley plantation, in the county of Oxford."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bills, and Wednesday next for the second reading of the resolve.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Piscataquis Reservoir Dam Company," being on its passage to be engrossed in concurrence, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. CARLETON of Whitefield.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 43 of the revised statutes, relating to true meridian lines."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Pond Stream Dam Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Good Templars of Maine."

The foregoing bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Carrell Trotting Park Association."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Prentiss."

Bill "an act to incorporate the town of Codyville."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Piscataqua Marine Railway Company."

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Penobscot Log Driving Company."

Bill "an act to amend the charter of the city of Auburn."

The foregoing bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of John T. Robinson as a notary public."

Bill "an act authorizing Eliza Morton to build and maintain a weir in tide waters of Johnson's bay, Lubec."

"Resolve in favor of Abigail Davis."

These bills having had three, and the resolve two several readings and passed to be engrossed, were reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills passed to be enacted, resolve finally passed, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. UPJOHN of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Petition of Henry Rolfe, for remuneration for land conveyed to other parties under the Treaty of Washington, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of J. C. Kidder and others, for a railroad from Bancroft to the Aroostook river, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Charles Kidder and others of Bridgewater, for reduction of valuation, came from the Senate referred to the Aroostook County Delegation.

Petition of Henry Rolfe, for deed of a lot of land, came from the Senate referred to the next Legislature.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Ordered, The House concurring, that the Governor, Land Agent and State Treasurer, be requested on or before the first day of June, 1871, (if practicable, or if not practicable within that time, as soon thereafter as may be) to designate for settlement two or more townships of land which have been conveyed to the European and North American Railway Company, and that they notify said company of such designation, with directions that the same be at once surveyed and opened for settlement by said company, as provided in chapter 401, section 3 of the private and special laws of 1864, entitled an act to provide means for the defence of the north-eastern frontier, approved March 24th, 1864.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and was read and amended, by adding a clause which reads as follows : " And it is further provided that all lands conveyed to said company under the act, which are in the opinion of the Governor, State Treasurer and the Land Agent, suitable for settlement, shall be surveyed into lots by said company, of suitable sizes for the purposes of settlement, not exceeding 160 acres to any one lot, which

lands shall be open to settlers at a price not exceeding one dollar per acre, on condition of a continued residence thereon for five years, and performance of such settling duties as are now required by the State"; and passed and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting legislation inexpedient on order relating to uniformity of text-books, came from the Senate recommitted, and was laid on the table on motion of Mr. CARLETON of Whitefield.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on petition, reporting bill "an act authorizing C. Wasgatt of Swan Island, to extend his fish weir into the tide waters of Old harbor."

Report of the Committee on Claims, reporting ought to pass on a "resolve in favor of the town of Fort Kent."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bill and resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed. The reports were read and accepted, bill read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading.

"Resolves of the City Council of Bath in aid of the petition of the Androscoggin Railroad for extension of said road";

Petition of Nathaniel G. Marshall and others, for charter for a railroad from the Piscataqua river to Portland;

Petition of D. H. Bisbee, for an act to prevent the consolidation of competing lines of railroads in this State;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Lewis Wyman and others;

Petition of Nathaniel Alford and others;

Petition of Samuel Wentworth and others;

Petition of Samuel Gamage and others;

Petition of Thomas Thompson and others;

Petition of G. W. Pratt and others;

Petition of Simon C. Hewett and others;

Petition of Aaron Haynes and others of Passadumkeag—all for repeal of the law relating to the employment of teachers;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Bill "an act amendatory of chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to railroads";

Bill "an act amendatory of section 14, chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to assessment of taxes";

Bill "an act amendatory of section 27 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to taxes";

Petition of George B. Burns and others, for repeal of the act establishing a Municipal Court in the city of Calais;

Remonstrance of William McCartney and Robert Cornforth, against establishing a fire department at West Waterville;

Remonstrance of M. F. Marble and others; and

Remonstrance of Samuel F. Hersey and others, against the act regulating the practice of medicine in this State;

Petition of S. R. Carter and others; and

Petition of R. A. Frye, for a Superior Court for the county of Oxford;

Bill "an act to amend chapter 456 private acts of the year 1870, entitled an act to provide for the enforcement of an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into Penobscot river";

Petition of citizens of Athens, for the March term of the Supreme Judicial Court for Somerset county to be holden at Skowhegan;

Remonstrances of H. S. Tobey and others, G. M. Tobey and others, Franklin Danforth and others, Chas. H. Hussey and others, Moses M. Waugh and another, Moses Williams and others, C. M. Sawyer and others, S. D. Hight and others, and B. F. Kimball and another, against the same;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

"Resolve to correct the valuation of York county," was referred to the York County Delegation.

Bill "an act relating to the powers and duties of the constables of Whitefield," was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Remonstrance of Samuel D. Reed, against the construction of a dam at Parker's Head bay in the town of Phipsburg, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. ATWELL presented the following, which was ordered to be printed:

Bill "an act additional to an act to provide for more free navigation of Penobscot river."

Mr. SEWALL of Oldtown, presented, by leave, bill "an act in relation to the times of holding sessions of the County Commissioners of the County of Penobscot."

Petition of Sophia D. Frost, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. REED of No. 11,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire into the expediency of authorizing the Land Agent to convey certain tracts of land in Oakfield plantation, Aroostook county, for burial grounds.

On motion of Mr. CARLETON of Whitefield,

Ordered, That the Committee on Banks and Banking be required to inquire into the management of the American Bank of Hallowell by the Receivers thereof, and what legislation if any is necessary to facilitate the winding up of the affairs of said Bank, which said Committee shall have power to send for persons and papers relating thereto.

On motion of Mr. HASKELL of Portland,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire what legislation is necessary, if any, to increase the bonds of treasurers of savings banks.

On motion of Mr. MOORE of Buckfield,

Ordered, That the Oxford County Delegation be directed to inquire into the expediency of reducing the State valuation of the town of Buckfield.

On motion of Mr. CARLETON of Whitefield,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform be requested to inquire into the expediency of making the time of service of legal process on corporations the same as on individuals.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. LAMB, from the Committee on Legal Reform, reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to assignment of dower to widows in wood lands.

Mr. CLEAVES, from the same Committee, reported same on order relating to change of the law, so that county roads and bridges shall be built and kept in repair by the several counties.

Mr. SANBORN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported same on order relating to partition of real estate.

Mr. PIKE, from the same Committee, reported leave to withdraw on petition of John Hodgdon and others of the United States Military Asylum, for the right to vote.

Mr. SANBORN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported.

same on petition of Thomas McSerly and others, for incorporation of the Hibernian Mutual Benevolent Society of Bangor.

Mr. KNAPP, from the Committee on Legal Reform, reported ought not to pass on bill "an act to amend section 17, chapter 124 of the revised statutes, relating to disturbing religious assemblies."

These reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. WYMAN, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Fairfield Savings Bank."

Printed bill "an act to increase the fees of town clerks."

Printed bill "an act concerning the liability of railroads for defective crossings."

The report was read and accepted, bills read twice, and tomorrow assigned.

Mr. BEAN, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to incorporate the East Oxford Agricultural Society."

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. GREEN of Wilton.

Mr. POTTER, from the Committee on Education, on order relating to repeal of the law establishing Teachers' Institutes, reported legislation inexpedient.

The report was read, and tabled by Mr. CARLETON of Whitefield.

Mr. CARLETON, from the Committee on Legal Reform, reported ought to pass in a new draft, on bill "an act to authorize jailers to administer oaths to poor debtors and poor prisoners."

Mr. THOMPSON, from the Committee on Military Affairs, on order, reported bill "an act authorizing the taking by towns of eligible sites for the erection of soldiers' monuments thereon."

Mr. CARLETON, from the Committee on Legal Reform on order reported bill "an act in relation to conveyances."

These reports were read and accepted, and the bills ordered to be printed under the joint rule.

Bill "an act to authorize the town of Cape Elizabeth to lay out, construct and maintain a highway and ferry landing into the tide waters of Portland harbor."

Bill "an act in relation to the Literary Fraternity and the Philomathean Society."

Bill "an act surrendering the charter of the Maine State Seminary."

Bill "an act to authorize the Leeds and Farmington Railroad Company to issue its bonds to stockholders."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to authorize E. K. Harding and others to build and maintain a wharf in Small Point harbor."

Bill "an act additional to an act entitled an act to enable the banks of this State to become banking associations, under the laws of the United States, approved Feb. 24, 1865."

Bill "an act to amend section 29, chapter 81 of the revised statutes."

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Merchants' Warehouse Company, approved March 10, 1870."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Lewiston School for Medical Instruction," being on its passage to be enacted, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. CARLETON of Whitefield.

Bill "an act to authorize the construction of a wharf in the town of York."

Bill "an act to incorporate the United Trustees of the Free and Accepted Masons of Bath."

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of the town of Madawaska in voting money for school purposes."

Bill "an act to extend the limits of the Bangor Boom Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bucksport Village Corporation."

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to revise and consolidate the public laws of the State, approved January 25, 1871."

Bill "an act authorizing Isaac West to build and maintain a weir in tide waters of Pigeon Hill bay."

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the International Telegraph Company."

"Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on the State Prison."

The foregoing bills having had three, and the resolve two several readings, and passed to be engrossed, were reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills passed to be enacted, resolve finally passed, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Piscataquis Reservoir Dam Company," was taken from the table on motion of Mr. CARLETON, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Buxton and Bonny Eagle Branch Railroad Company"; and

Bill "an act to incorporate the Alfred and South Berwick Railroad Company";

Were taken from the table, and recommitted to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, the former on motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais, and the latter on motion of Mr. COUSENS of Kennebunkport.

Printed bill "an act to authorize the formation of railroad corporations," was taken from the table, read twice, and Thursday next assigned for the third reading.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Cram of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Bill "an act to promote immigration into this State," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Remonstrance of William Conners and others, against the change of railroad junction from Kendall's Mills to Waterville, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Cyrus Sturdivant and others, for the establishment of the office of chaplain for the Maine State Prison, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the State Prison.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Vassalborough Woolen Mills Company," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reporting bill "an act fixing the time when acts of incorporation shall become null and void," came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned.

Report of the Committee on Claims, reporting ought to pass on "resolve in favor of Zepheniah Starbird and others."

This report came from the Senate read and accepted, resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted, resolve read twice under suspension of the rules, and tabled by Mr. PIKE of Calais.

Communication from the Treasurer of State, signifying his acceptance, and transmitting his official bond, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Treasurer's Accounts, and was read and referred in concurrence.

Order referring the State Librarian's Report to the Committee on the Library, came from the Senate read and passed, and was read and passed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Buxton and Bonney Eagle Branch Railroad Company"; and

Bill "an act to incorporate the Alfred and South Berwick Railroad Company," which were recommitted to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges by the House, came back from the Senate non-concurred in.

The House receded, and passed the same to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act relating to bills in equity";

Bill "an act relating to divorce";

Petition of the inhabitants of Columbia Falls, for repeal of the law changing the time and place of holding court in Washington county;

Bill "an act relative to offers to be defaulted";

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "an act to exempt railroad companies from liabilities in certain cases";

Remonstrance of Hiram Watson and others, and Cyrus Cole and others, against the consolidation of competing lines of railroads;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Mark P. Smith and others of Norway, for repeal of the law relating to the employment of teachers; and

Remonstrance of B. F. Fernald and others, against the same;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of the Selectmen of Sherman, for reduction of the valuation of said town, was referred to the Aroostook County Delegation.

Petition of the town of Atkinson, for reduction of valuation, was referred to the Piscataquis County Delegation.

Petition of the town of Harpswell, for separate representation, was referred to the Committee on Apportionment.

Bill "an act to amend section 10, chapter 26 of the revised statutes, relating to forms of actions"; and

Bill "an act to incorporate the Portland Rossini Club";

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

- “Resolve in favor of Prentiss M. Fogler”; and
 - “Resolve for the effectual destruction of registered bonds and coupons after the same have been registered”;
- Were referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 77 of the revised statutes.

This order was sent to the Senate.

Mr. HARRIMAN, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reported leave to withdraw on petition of the Selectmen of Cape Elizabeth, for aid to build a bridge over Long creek in said town; also

Reported same on petition of Nathaniel Wilson, for revival of the charter of the Penobscot Railroad Company, for the purpose of collecting a certain demand on said company.

Mr. ATWELL, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported same on petition of Thomas S. Jones and others, for an act to prevent the throwing of edgings into the waters of Damariscotta river.

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported same on sundry petitions, for the March term of the Supreme Judicial for Somerset county to be holden at Skowhegan.

Mr. BURGESS, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reported reference to the next Legislature, with order of notice, on petition of Charles Deering, for charter for a railroad from Castine to Calais.

Mr. LORD, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to costs to parties prevailing, for travel of witnesses living beyond the line of the State; also

Reported reference to the Committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of the Trustees of the Children's Home of Bangor, for aid.

These reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. ROBIE, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition, reported bill “an act additional to the chart-

er of the Portland and Rochester Railroad Company, authorizing the extension of its road in Portland."

Mr. BIRD, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Sebec Railroad Company."

Mr. SANBORN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition, reported bill "an act to enable the city of Bangor to aid the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company in the extended construction of its railroad"; also

Reported on petition of Hugh Ross and others, bill "an act to incorporate the Fort Point Hotel Company"; also

Reported on petition of E. B. Patten, bill "an act to incorporate the Corporation Store and Loan Company."

Mr. FITCH, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of Charles Foster, reported bill "an act to incorporate the North-east Pond Dam Company."

Mr. GETCHELL, from this Committee, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to incorporate the Pemaquid Ice Company."

Mr. RAY, from the Committee on the Library, on petition of John P. Hodsdon, reported a "resolve in favor of the town of New Portland."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned

Bill "an act to incorporate the Fairfield Savings Bank."

Bill "an act concerning the liability of railroads for defective crossings."

Bill "an act to increase the fees of town clerks."

Bill "an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government."

"Resolve in favor of the inhabitants of No. 5, R. 1, in the County of Oxford."

"Resolve in favor of the inhabitants of Riley plantation."

"Resolve in favor of John S. Arnold and Warren S. Dwinell."

The foregoing bills and resolves were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, bills read the third, resolves the second time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act authorizing C. Wasgatt of Swan Island, to extend his fish weir into the tide waters of Old harbor."

"Resolve in favor of the town of Fort Kent."

This bill and resolve were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, bill read the third, resolve the second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Pond Stream Dam Company."

Bill "an act authorizing Zina H. Hodgdon to extend and maintain his wharf in Boothbay."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebunk Savings Bank."

Bill "an act authorizing Ephraim K. Smart to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Camden harbor."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 43 of the revised statutes of 1871, relating to true meridian lines."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Pembroke Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to change the name of the York County Five Cents Savings Institution."

Bill "an act to change the corporate name of the Second Universalist Society of the city of Portland."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Good Templars of Maine."

"Resolve making appropriations for the Passamaquoddy Indians."

The foregoing bills having had three, and the resolve two several readings, and passed to be engrossed, were reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills passed to be enacted, resolve finally passed, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act in relation to collection of taxes in the town of Brownfield," was taken from the table, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Elections, on the case of Gideon A. Hastings and Moses C. Foster, was taken from the table and assigned for to-morrow, on motion of Mr. CARLETON of Whitefield.

On motion of Mr. WOODBURY of Houlton,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. CORTES of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Mr. Smith was excused by the Senate from further service on the Committee on Apportionment, and Mr. Torrey of Knox, appointed to fill the vacancy.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 151 of the public laws of 1868;" and

Bill "an act further defining the jurisdiction of the Superior Court for the County of Cumberland," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Remonstrance of B. P. Manly, against exempting the Kennebec Dam Company from building a fishway over its dam, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Bill "an act authorizing the towns of Benton and Fairfield to purchase and make free the Fairfield bridge," came from the Senate referred to the next Legislature.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Final Reports of the Committees on the Library, Indian Affairs and Division of Towns.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Jesse Smith, for a lot of land in Silver Ridge plantation.

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, reporting legislation inexpedient on report of the S. S. Committee of Greenbush.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on order, reporting bill "an act additional to section 25 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes, in relation to petitions for increase of damages by reason of the laying out, altering or widening of town ways"; also

Reporting, on order, bill "an act additional to and amendatory of chapter 48 of the revised statutes, in regard to the formation of corporations."

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition, reporting bill "an act to extend the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad."

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Luther Fitch, reporting bill "an act to set off certain territory from Baldwin and annex the same to Sebago."

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs, on petition, reporting "resolve in favor of Joseph A. Chambers."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Medway Railway Company."

The foregoing reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills and resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bills, and Wednesday of next week for the second reading of the resolve.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Log Driving Company," came back from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded, adopted amendment "A," and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

Petition of Richard Harding and others of Yarmouth;

Petition of Josiah Hobbs and others of Hope;

Petition of inhabitants of Fryeburg;

Petition of John Robbins and others—all for repeal of the school laws of 1871;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Bill "an act in aid of the Bangor Mercantile Association";

Petition of Edward Levenseller and others of Hope;

Petition of William O'Conner and others of Warren;

Petition of Elias Howe and others;

Petition of Silas Storr and others;

Petition of H. N. Woodcock and others;

Petition of Charles M. Fletcher;

Petition of E. G. Skidmore and others;

Petition of Nathan Kallock and others;

Petition of G. L. Snow and others of Rockland;

Petition of E. M. Butler and others;

Petition of E. G. D. Beveridge and others—all for repeal of the charter of the Cobb Lime Company; and

Petition of N. S. Allan and others, for repeal of the Calais Court bill;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of John B. Swanton of Bath, in aid of the extension of the Androscoggin railroad;

Remonstrances of Timothy Mayo and others of Monroe, Jacob Coburn and others of Otisfield, John Ware and others of Athens, John Montgomery and others, and Elbridge Gerry and others of Portland—against consolidation of competing lines of railroad in this State;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Cumberland County Savings Bank," was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of E. P. Blood and others, for reduction of valuation of the town of Chester;

"Resolve for abatement of the State tax of the town of Veazie";

Were referred to the Penobscot County Delegation.

"Resolve in favor of the city of Bangor";

"Resolve in aid of the widow of Gen. Hiram G. Berry";

Were referred to the Committee on Claims.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WOODBURY of Houlton,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire into the necessity of making an appropriation for the purpose of building a bridge over the Molunkus stream on the Maine military road.

This order was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. ROBIE of Gorham,

Ordered, That a Committee of seven be appointed by the Speaker, with instruction to ascertain the amount of business now before the Legislature and the several Committees, and further systematize and arrange the same for the action of the House, in view of an adjournment of the Legislature on Saturday, February 18th.

The SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Robie of Gorham, Pike of Calais, Talbot of East Machias, Burnham of Biddeford, Sewall of Oldtown, Cobb of Windham, Gannett of Bath.

On motion of Mr. WILSON of Thomaston,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be requested to deliver to this House the 1500 copies of the census, ordered to be printed for its use.

On motion of the same gentleman,

Ordered, That the Governor be requested to furnish for the information of the House, the cost of disbursing the appropriation under "resolve in aid of the destitute orphans of soldiers and seamen of the late war, approved March 1, 1867, and each year since."

Mr. WHITMORE, from the Committee on Fisheries, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of Archie L. Downs and others, for preservation of fish in Bunganaul pond in Lyman; also

Reported same on petition of Joseph Weeks and others, for protection of pickerel in Chandler pond in Durham.

Mr. STICKNEY, from the Committee on Pensions, reported same on petition of Walker Darling for pension.

Mr. BUSWELL, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported same on petition of Vital Dufour and others, for aid to build a bridge in the town of Madawaska.

Mr. HACKER, from the same Committee, reported same on petition of Zebulon Dufour and others, praying that the Land Agent be authorized to deed to them lands; also

Reported same on petition of inhabitants of Grant Isle, praying that the State purchase their land from the proprietors.

Mr. COMINS, from the Committee on Claims, reported same on petition of Daniel W. Dinsmore, for damages for false imprisonment.

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported on petition of Paul Curtis and J. Harrington, for an act to make valid the doings of said town.

Mr. CREHORE, from the Committee on Division of Towns, reported same on petition for annexation of a part of the town of Limington to the town of Limerick.

Mr. GOODWIN, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported same on petition of A. W. Hoyt, for payment of expenses incurred in enlisting soldiers in 1861.

Mr. BLISS, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported legislation inexpedient on order relative to repeal of the law regulating the sale of milk; also

Reported same on order relating to spendthrifts wasting their estates.

Mr. HUTCHINGS, from same Committee, reported reference to the next Legislature on petition of S. M. Hopkins, for authority to lay out a way in Oldtown.

These reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. SANBORN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to protection of the rights of mill-owners.

The report was read and recommitted, on motion of Mr. KEEGAN of Madawaska, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. BLISS, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass on bill "an act relating to bills in equity."

Mr. BONNEY, from the same Committee, on order, reported bill "an act amendatory of chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to railroads."

Mr. WILSON, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to amend chapter 16 of the revised statutes, relating to drains and common sewers."

These reports were read and accepted, and the bills ordered to be printed under joint rule.

Mr. HOPKINS, from the Committee on County Estimates, reported "resolve laying a tax on the several counties in the State."

Mr. HOBART, from the Committee on Finance, reported ought to pass on "resolve for the effectual destruction of bonds and coupons of the State of Maine after the same shall have been registered."

These reports were read and accepted, resolves read twice, rules being suspended, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. HASKELL, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Phillips Savings Bank."

Mr. HACKER, from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on petition of C. D. Sterns and others, for incorporation of plantation No. 1, Range 4, reported bill "an act to incorporate the town of Eustis."

Mr. PATTEN, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of Isaac H. Coffin, reported bill "an act to

amend the charter of the Wiscasset Bridge Company, approved January 30, 1846."

Mr. SANBORN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition, reported bill "an act to establish a Municipal Court in the city of Lewiston"; also

Reported ought to pass on bill "an act to amend chapter 456 of the special laws of the year 1870, entitled an act to procure the enforcement of an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and refuse into Penobscot river."

Mr. WILSON, from the same Committee, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to incorporate the Rockland and Thomaston Gas Light Company."

Mr. HOBSON, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Auburn Aqueduct Company."

Mr. TALBOT, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Ellsworth Boom Company."

Mr. FITCH, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebec Ice Company."

Mr. CLEAVES, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on petition of William Berry, reported bill "an act to make valid the doings of District No. 9, in the town of Burnham."

Mr. HOBART, from the Committee on Finance, reported ought to pass on "resolve in favor of Prentiss M. Fogler."

Mr. BUSWELL, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition, reported "resolve in favor of the road leading from Van Buren to Grant Isle."

Printed bill "an act to authorize the taking by towns of eligible sites for the erection of soldiers' monuments thereon."

Printed bill "an act to authorize jailers to administer oaths to poor prisoners."

Printed bill "an act in relation to the times of holding sessions of the County Commissioners of the County of Penobscot."

Printed bill "an act to repeal section 1, chapter 120, public laws of 1870, relating to the taking of porgies or menhaden in the waters of Maine."

Printed bill "an act in relation to conveyances."

Printed bill "an act to exempt females from arrest for debt."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, bills read twice,

resolves once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bills, and Wednesday next for the second reading of the resolves.

Printed bill "an act additional to an act to provide for the more free navigation of Penobscot river," was read twice, and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. RAWSON of Bangor.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Co-operative Store and Loan Company"; and

Bill "an act to enable the city of Bangor to aid the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company in the extended construction of its road";

Were reported, read the third time, and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. RAWSON of Bangor.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Pemaquid Ice Company," was reported, read the third time, and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. CLEAVES of Portland.

Bill "an act fixing the time when acts of incorporation shall become null and void," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Northeast Pond Dam Company."

Bill "an act additional to the charter of the Portland and Rochester Railroad Company authorizing the extension of its road in Portland."

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Sebec Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Fort Point Hotel Company."

"Resolve in favor of the town of New Portland."

The foregoing bills and resolve were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the bills read the third, resolve the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act authorizing Henry A. DeWitt and J. Manchester Haynes, to extend and maintain their wharf in Richmond."

Bill "an act to authorize the town of Cape Elizabeth to lay out, construct and maintain a highway into the tide waters of Portland harbor."

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Camden Village Corporation, approved Feb. 14, 1867."

Bill "an act additional to the charter of the Eastern Insurance Company of Bangor."

Bill "an act to authorize Hatcil Delano to extend a wharf into tide waters of Verona."

Bill "an act to authorize the Leeds and Farmington Railroad Company to issue its bonds to stockholders."

Bill "an act to amend an act to authorize Charles E. Dole to build a wharf in Brewer, approved Feb. 17, 1869."

Bill "an act authorizing D. N. Bray to build and maintain a weir in the tide waters of Herrick's bay in Brooklin."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Piscataquis Reservoir Dam Company."

Bill "an act to enlarge the powers of constables in the town of Eastport."

Bill "an act additional to the charter of the National Insurance Company of Bangor."

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to locate certificate No. 31, issued under resolves of the Legislature, approved March 10, 1838."

"Resolve in favor of Joshua Chamberlain."

These bills having had three, and the resolves two several readings and passed to be engrossed, were reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills passed to be enacted, resolve finally passed, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act in addition to the acts incorporating the European and North American Railway Company," was taken from the table; the question being on its passage to be engrossed, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on motion of Mr. WILSON of Thomaston.

Mr. KNAPP, from the Committee on Elections, on the remonstrance of Gideon A. Hastings, against the right of Moses C. Foster of Bethel, to a seat in this House, submitted his views in the case, and reported the remonstrant should have leave to withdraw. The report was read and tabled, on motion of Mr. CARLETON of Whitefield.

Report of the Committee on Elections in the foregoing case,

special assignment for to-day, was taken from the table and accepted.

Mr. CARLETON offered a resolve declaring Gideon A. Hastings duly elected a member of the House of Representatives, for the year 1871, and pending its adoption, the House, on motion of Mr. WALL of Hallowell,

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Mr. Osgood of the House.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Remonstrance of J. P. Thomas and others of Sedgwick, against consolidation of railroads in this State, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Remonstrances of Orrick Hawes and others of Vassalborough, and Eli Jones and others of China, against repeal of the law relating to the employment of teachers, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Order extending the time in which Committees shall make a final report to the 16th of the present month, when such Committees having used due diligence cannot make their report before that time, came from the Senate read and passed, and was read and passed in concurrence.

Order directing the Committee on Legal Reform to inquire what changes are necessary in the present school laws, came back from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

The House recessed and concurred.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition for division of the town of Westbrook, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the town of Deering."

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, reporting a "resolve making appropriations for the Penobscot Indians."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bill and resolves read twice, and passed to be engrossed. These reports were read and accepted, bill read three times, resolves twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting legislation inexpedient on order concerning actions against executors and administrators; also

Reporting same on order relating to the binding of a certain number of copies of the revised statutes with blank interleaves.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting leave to withdraw, on petition of Josiah Hilton, for an appropriation in aid of the Canada road.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, reporting legislation inexpedient on order relating to investment of deposits in savings banks.

Report of the Committee on Claims, reporting same on an order directing the Treasurer of State to deliver to the town of Alna certain bonds.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, reporting leave to withdraw, on petition of Hiram A. Balch, for authority to build a fish weir in Lubec.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, reporting same on petition of John B. Coyle and others, to be set off from Westbrook to the city of Portland.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting reference to the same on Legal Reform, on petition of J. A. Johnson, for an act to prohibit the cutting of ice on ponds.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting ought to pass, in a new draft, on bill "an act giving to the inhabitants of that part of Frankfort annexed to Monroe, their portion of the money paid by the State to Frankfort, under act of 1868."

Report of the same Committee on petition of Samuel Titcomb, reporting bill "an act to amend chapter 204 of the special laws of 1867, entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Augusta."

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on petition, reporting bill "an act to further protect certain fishing interests in the Sandy river pond and Lufkin's pond.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reporting ought to pass, in a new draft, on bill "an act to authorize the Somerset and Kennebec Railroad Company to connect its road with the Maine Central Railroad in the town of Waterville."

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of David Wing and others, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Somerset Boom"; also

Reporting on petition of Charles Fales, bill "an act to authorize the Franklin Wharf Company of Portland, to extend its wharf."

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of Selectmen, reporting "resolve in favor of the town of Princeton"; also

On petition of Jesse Smith and others, "resolve for an appropriation on a road in Silver Ridge plantation, in the County of Aroostook."

"Resolve in favor of Parker P. Burleigh."

"Resolve providing for the payment of the expenses of the Committee on Military Affairs."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 408 of the private laws of 1870";

The foregoing reports came from the Senate read and accepted, the bills and resolves read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, the bills read twice, the resolves once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bills, and Wednesday of next week for the second reading of the resolves.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition, reporting "resolve authorizing the Land Agent to sell lot No. 129, in Township 5, Range 3, in the County of Aroostook."

This report came from the Senate read and accepted, resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted, resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned.

Report of the Joint Special Committee on Treasurer's Report, to which was referred the Treasurer's bond, reporting that the same has been examined, found correctly drawn, and the sureties are responsible.

This report came from the Senate read and accepted, and the bond approved. The report was read and accepted, and the bond approved in concurrence.

Remonstrances of E. H. Mayo and others, D. W. Hussey and others, Charles Moody and others, Christopher Allen and others of Hram, George R. Allen and others, and citizens of Wilton and others—against consolidation of competing lines of railroad in this State;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of G. H. Clark and others of Searsmont; and

Petition of R. C. Hall and others, for repeal of the charter of the Cobb Lime Company;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of G. A. Herriman and others of Wellington, for repeal of the law relating to employment of teachers; and

Remonstrance of Superintending School Committee of Steuben, against the same;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of RAWSON of Bangor,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of enacting a law limiting the number of times that loan bills for town and city credit, in aid of corporations, and the right of towns to take stock in same, shall be submitted to the voters of said town or city, when it has once been rejected.

This order was sent to the Senate.

Mr. MOOERS, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of Vital D'Aigle and others, for aid to build a saw mill in Township 16, R. 6, Aroostook county, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. MARTIN, from the same Committee, reported same on petition of inhabitants of St. John plantation, for aid to build a bridge; also

Reported same on petition of Augustus D'Aigle and others of Fort Kent, for aid to build a bridge in said town.

Mr. GANNETT, from the Committee on Pensions, reported same on petition of Benjamin Lowell, for pension.

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported same, on petition, for a Superior Court in the County of Oxford.

Mr. PIKE, from same Committee, reported same on petition of N. B. Nutt and others, for repeal of the law changing time and place of holding court in the County of Washington.

Mr. HASKELL, from the Cumberland Delegation, reported same on petition of Olive D. Dike, County Commissioner, for additional compensation.

Mr. JENKINS, from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, reported same on petition of J. G. Mosher, for incorporation of plantation No. 13, R. 5, Aroostook county.

Mr. ATWELL, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported same on petition of William Conners, for incorporation of a sluice at Great Works; also

Reported same on petition of Ira Masterman and another, for the right to construct artificial fish ponds in Weld and Phillips.

Mr. BIRD, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reported same on petition of A. W. Dain, for a railroad from Springvale to the Portsmouth and Conway Railroad.

Mr. HOPKINS, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to protection of insurance companies from embezzlement by sub-agents.

Mr. REED, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, reported same on order relating to the propriety of allowing savings banks to make loans to their trustees to an amount not exceeding \$5,000.

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported same on order relating to amendment of section 5, chapter 6 of the revised statutes.

Mr. MOOERS, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported same on order relating to conveying a lot of land in Oakfield, for burial grounds.

Mr. MAYO, from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, reported reference to the next Legislature, on petition of D. D. Thompson and others, for incorporation of Haynesville as a town.

Mr. JENKINS, from same Committee, reported same on petition of James Farmer and others of Benedicta plantation, for incorporation as a town.

Mr. WHITMORE, from the Committee on Fisheries, reported same on petition of R. T. Osgood, for fish way at Eastern River Dams.

Mr. SANBORN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported

same on bill "an act to regulate the qualifications of practitioners in medicine and surgery."

Mr. HEATH, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on order relating to taxing deposits in savings banks, reported reference to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Mr. KNAPP, from same Committee, reported reference to the Committee on Interior Waters, on order relating to protection of bridges over Aroostook river.

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought not to pass on bill "an act to amend section 13 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reported bill "an act defining the notice on petitions for assessments of damages for lands taken by railroad corporations."

Mr. BONNEY, from same Committee, on order, reported bill "an act amendatory of chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to railroads."

Mr. CARLETON, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on petition, reported bill "an act to repeal an act creating a State Liquor Commissioner."

Mr. ANDERSON, from the Committee on Fisheries, reported bill "an act to amend chapter 40 of the revised statutes of 1871, relating to fish and fisheries."

Mr. PATTEN, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Northern Aroostook Railroad Company."

Mr. HARRIMAN, from same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize Thomas Taylor to employ and use steam power to transport passengers and freight in the towns of Farmington, New Sharon and Phillips."

These reports were read and accepted, and the bills ordered printed.

Mr. SEWALL, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reported ought to pass, in a new draft, bill "an act authorizing the European and North American Railway to locate and construct branches in the towns through which it passes."

The report was read and accepted, and the bill read twice.

Mr. WILSON offered amendment "A," pending which, the bill was tabled.

Printed bill "an act relative to the inspection of herring," was read twice, and Tuesday next assigned.

Mr. STRICKLAND, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition, reported "resolve in aid of road through township Letter F, Aroostook county."

Mr. BUSWELL, from same Committee, on petition, reported "resolve in aid of roads in Letter E, in the County of Franklin"; also

Reported, on order, "resolve in aid of the Military Road"; also

Reported, on petition, "resolve in favor of the town of Phillips."

Mr. HACKER, from same Committee, reported, on petition, "resolve in favor of Jane A. Weeks"; also

Reported, on petition of Moses Rowe, "resolve in favor of the settlers in township No. 11, Range 3, W. E. L. of the State."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, resolves read once, and Wednesday next assigned for the second reading.

Mr. CLEAVES, from the Committee on Legal Reform, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Portland Rossini Club."

The report was read and accepted, bill read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. HEATH, from the Committee on Legal Reform, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to amend chapter 538 of the special laws of 1868, entitled an act to authorize Abernethy Grover and others to improve Sunday river."

Mr. HASKELL, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to incorporate the Cumberland County Savings Bank."

Mr. PALMER, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Cherryfield Savings Bank."

Mr. RODICK, from the Committee on Fisheries, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize Holden & Richardson of Cranberry Isles to extend a fish weir."

Mr. MOORE, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize the construction of a fish weir in Pleasant river."

Mr. GREEN, from the Committee on Agriculture, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society."

Mr. BEAN, from same Committee, reported ought to pass, in a new draft, on bill "an act to incorporate the St. John Agricultural Society."

Mr. DINGLEY, from the Committee on Manufactures, reported ought to pass, in a new draft, on bill "an act to incorporate the Eureka Slate Company in Monson."

Mr. GANNETT, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reported same on bill "an act to incorporate the Cumberland Air Power Company."

Mr. SANBORN, from same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Poland and Minot Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Mr. BLOSSOM, from same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Warren Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Mr. GOODWIN, from same Committee, reported ought to pass, in a new draft, on bill "an act to incorporate the North Penobscot Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Mr. GETCHELL, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to authorize John Locke, George Locke and Charles R. Locke, to maintain a dam and sluice across Ballard brook in Fryeburg."

Mr. BLISS, from this Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize Nathan F. Houghton to build a wharf into tide water in Belfast"; also

Reported, on petition, bill "an act to authorize Edward L. Whittier and others to extend their wharf into tide water in Belfast"; also

Reported, on petition, bill "an act to authorize the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad Company to construct wharves and piers into tide waters in Belfast, and to amend the charter of said company, and for other purposes."

Mr. ANDREWS, from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on petition, reported bill "an act to change the name of Plantation No. 2, R. 2, west of the Kennebec river."

Mr. FOSTER, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on

petition, reported bill "an act to set off a part of a small island from Alton and annex the same to the town of Oldtown."

Mr. PATTEN, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition, reported bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Portland and Rutland Railroad Company."

Mr. MARTIN, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of Ausburn F. Hoffaes, reported a "resolve authorizing the Land Agent to sell lot of land No. 143."

Mr. HACKER, from same Committee, on petition, reported a "resolve in favor of Salmon Jones"; also

Reported, on petition, a "resolve in favor of Lewis Scott."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned.

Bill "an act in relation to conveyances."

Bill "an act to repeal section 1, chapter 120, public laws of 1870, relating to the taking of porgies or menhaden in the waters of Maine."

Bill "an act to authorize the taking by towns of eligible sites for the erection of soldiers' monuments thereon."

Bill "an act to authorize the formation of railroad corporations."

The foregoing bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and tabled, and the latter assigned for to-morrow.

Bill "an act additional to section 25 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes, in relation to petitions for increase of damages by reason of the laying out, altering or widening of town ways."

Bill "an act additional to and amendatory of chapter 48 of the revised statutes, in regard to formation of corporations."

Bill "an act to extend the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad."

The foregoing bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to establish a municipal court in the city of Lewiston."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of District No. 9, in the town of Burnham."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebec Ice Company."

Bill "an act to authorize jailers to administer oaths to poor debtors and poor prisoners."

Bill "an act in relation to the times of holding sessions of the County Commissioners of the County of Penobscot."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Ellsworth Boom Company."

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Rockland and Thomaston Gas Light Company."

Bill "an act entitled an act to exempt females from arrest for debt."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 456 of the special laws of the year 1870, entitled an act to procure the enforcement of an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into Penobscot river."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Phillips Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to amend the charter of the Wiscasset Bridge Company, approved January 31, 1846."

Bill "an act to incorporate the town of Eustis."

The foregoing bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve declaring Gideon A. Hastings duly elected a member of this House," was taken from the table, and the question being on the adoption of the same, the House, on motion of Mr. CARLETON of Whitefield, ordered that it be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, it was decided in the negative by yeas 56, nays 68.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams, Atwell, Berry of Damariscotta, Berry of Buxton, Blanchard, Bliss, Brown, Carleton, Chapin, Cleaves, Clook, Cobb, Cousens, Cushing, Deering, Emery, Fitch, Googins, Gray, Hacker, Hammond, Haskell of Garland, Haskell of Portland, Hastings, Hathaway, Heath, Hill, Hinkley, Hobson, Jenkins, Jones of Springfield, Keegan, Lane, Moore of Machiasport, Osgood of Lewiston, Parsons, Rawson, Ray, Reed of Waldoborough, Reed of No. 11, Reynolds, Sanborn of Bangor, Sewall, Snow, Storer, Strickland, Talbot, Wass, Whitehouse, Weed, White of Winterport, Whitmore, Wilson, Willard, Winter, Woodbury—56.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Andrews of Otisfield, Anderson, Bean, Bird, Bonney,

Bragdon, Brewer, Burgess, Chase, Clark of China, Comins, Crehore, Dingley, Drisco, Dustin, Gannett, Getchell, Goodwin, Green of Wilton, Harriman, Hayden, Heal, Hobart, Holt, Hopkins of Bluehill, Hopkins of Mt. Vernon, Hutchins, Johnson, Jones of Norway, Knapp, Knight, Mahony, Martin, Mayo, Minot, Mooers, Moore of Buckfield, Norcross, Nutter, Osgood of Durham, Palmer, Perkins of Poland, Perkins of Farmington, Pike, Potter, Robie, Robinson, Rodick, Sanborn of Kittery, Sayward, Severance, Simon-ton, Simpson, Skillin, Smith of Saco, Smith of Parsonsfield, Snowman, Stickney, Stewart, Taylor, Thompson of Dover, Thompson of Trenton, Wadsworth, Wagg, Wall, White of Greenfield, Whiting, Wyman—68.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Pemaquid Ice Company," was taken from the table.

Mr. CLEAVES offered amendment "A," pending which, tabled, on motion of Mr. WILSON of Thomaston.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. FULLER of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Petition of James Kellar and others, for repeal of the charter of the Cobb Lime Company, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Remonstrance of citizens of Harpswell, against consolidation of competing lines of railroads in the State, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Pensions, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of William W. Quimby, for pension.

Report of the Committee on Claims, reporting same on petition of Joseph Neadeau, for compensation for land taken from him for the use of the United States Government.

Report of the Cumberland County Delegation, reporting same on petition for reduction of the valuation of the town of Naples.

Report of the Committee on Pensions, reporting legislation inexpedient on order relating to pension for the widow of William M. Jordan.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, reporting same on petitions for an act to make valid the doings of the town of Clinton.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reporting bill "an act relative to pretended savings banks"; also

Reporting ought to pass on bill "an act giving the consent of the Legislature of Maine to the purchase by the United States of land within this State for public purposes"; also

Reporting same on bill "an act to incorporate the Vassalboro' Woolen Mills Company"; also

Reporting same on bill "an act for the relinquishment to the United States in certain cases of title to lands for sites of light stations, on the coast and waters of the State"; also

Reporting, on order, bill "an act in relation to instruction in industrial or mechanical drawing."

Report of Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of Joseph L. Smith, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Oldtown Water-Power and Manufacturing Company."

Report of Committee on Public Buildings, on order, reporting "resolve providing for warming the State House by steam."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 18, section 1 of revised statutes, relating to repairs of highways."

The foregoing reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills and resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, resolve once, and Monday assigned for the third-reading of the bills, and Wednesday of next week for the second reading of the resolve.

"Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on Reform School," came from the Senate read and passed to be engrossed, and was read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting bill "an act to amend section 54, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the branches taught in public schools."

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on Bank Examiner's Report, reporting bill "an act to repeal sections 48 to 53 inclusive of chapter 47 of the revised statutes, relating to bank returns."

The foregoing reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and the former tabled by Mr. CARLETON of Whitefield, and the latter ordered to be printed.

Petition of Samuel Small and others of Machiasport, for repeal of the law relating to employment of teachers, was referred to the Committee on Education.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Mechanics' Savings Bank," was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Bill "an act amendatory to an act to incorporate the Phillips Mutual Fire Insurance Company," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of John H. Eveleth, praying that the Land Agent be authorized to convey to him a lot of land in Township No. 5, Range 13, Piscataquis county, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Remonstrance of A. P. Haskell and others of Chesterville, against consolidation of railroads in this State, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Milo," was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. ATWELL of Orono,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of providing by law that inhabitants of towns may at the annual meeting for choice of town officers, be authorized to elect one or more officers like police officers in cities, with power to maintain order, keep the peace, arrest and prosecute to conviction and sentence, offenders against the laws, and habitual truants from school during the session thereof; also that authority be given to such inhabitants to assess and collect taxes for the

payment of such officers, and for the erection and maintenance of watch-houses.

On motion of Mr. HOBART of Dennysville,

Ordered, That a Committee of one from each county, with such as the Senate may join, be appointed to inquire if any legislative action is necessary for the arrangement of Councillor Districts, and if so, to arrange and report to the Legislature, Councillor Districts for the next decade, and also the assignment to each county in said district.

The SPEAKER appointed on the part of the House, Messrs. Hobart of Dennysville, Wagg of Danville, Ray of Westbrook, Green of Temple, Whitney of Ellsworth, Clark of China, Emery of South Thomaston, Berry of Damariscotta, Foster of Bethel, Jones of Springfield, Bishop of Milo, Minot of Phippsburg, Andrews of Palmyra, White of Winterport, Bradbury of Limington, and Woodbury of Houlton.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MARTIN of Rumford,

Ordered, That the Committee on Pay Roll make up the pay of Gideon A. Hastings of Bethel, at the rate of \$2.00 per diem, from the first day of the session up to and including the 13th day of February, and the usual mileage.

On motion of Mr. WILSON of Thomaston,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State furnish the Clerk of the House with two copies of the revised statutes for the use of the House.

On motion of Mr. BURGESS of Portland,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be directed to inform this House why the report of the Commissioner of Insurance has not been received according to the provisions of section 13, chapter 156 of the public laws of 1870.

On motion of Mr. HASKELL of Portland,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate by the Clerk, requesting that body to transmit to the House the Report of the Commissioners upon Paper Credits, with accompanying documents.

Mr. BLISS, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to the rights of poor debtors.

Mr. BURGESS, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reported same on bill "an act to prohibit the consolidation of parallel lines of railroad," also on petition for same.

Mr. BIRD, from same Committee, reported reference to the next Legislature on petition for a charter for a railroad from Danville Junction to connect with the Portland and Rochester Railroad in Gorham.

Mr. HARRIMAN, from same Committee, reported same on "resolve in favor of a post road and national highway from Portland to Chicago."

Mr. WHITMORE, from the Committee on Fisheries, reported leave to withdraw on petition of George L. Hall, for the better protection of alewives on Damariscotta river.

Mr. MARTIN, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported same on petition of Edward Gray and others of Dickeyville, for aid to repair the road in said town.

Mr. COMINS, from the Committee on Claims, on "resolve in favor of the city of Bangor," reported ought not to pass.

These reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee of Conference, on bill "an act extending the time to the first of May in which the revised statutes shall go into effect," reported the Committee could not agree, and asked to be discharged from further duty and that the House adhere.

The report was read and accepted.

Mr. MINOT, from the Committee on Fisheries, on petition, reported bill "an act additional to chapter 40 of the revised statutes of 1871, relating to river fisheries."

The report was read and accepted, and the bill ordered to be printed under rule.

Mr. HARRIMAN, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on order, reported bill "an act authorizing railroad corporations to take lands for burrow and gravel pits."

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice, and tabled on motion of Mr. CARLETON.

Mr. MARTIN, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petitions, reported "resolve in relation to lands in the

towns of Madawaska and Frenchville, and the plantations of St. John, St. Francis and Wallagrass."

The report was read and accepted, resolve read once, and Wednesday next assigned.

Mr. ANDERSON, from the Committee on Fisheries, on petition, reported bill "an act to prevent the destruction of fish in Penamaquon river in the town of Pembroke."

Mr. TALBOT, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to incorporate the Jay Boom Company."

Mr. ATWELL, from same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Cooper Brook Dam Company."

Mr. BLISS, from same Committee, on petition of G. W. Hammond, respecting the Cumberland and Oxford Canal, reported "resolve authorizing the Attorney General to institute certain legal proceedings."

Mr. THOMPSON, from the Committee on Military Affairs, on order, reported "resolve relating to the military stores at Portland."

Printed bill "an act concerning bills in equity."

Printed bill "an act amendatory of chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to railroads."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolve once, and Monday assigned.

Printed bill "an act to amend chapter 16 of the revised statutes, relating to drains and common sewers," was read twice, and recommitted, on motion of Mr. WILSON of Thomaston.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 408 of the private laws of 1870."

Bill "an act to set off certain territory from Baldwin and annex the same to Sebago."

Bill "an act to authorize the Somerset and Kennebec Railroad Company to connect its railroad with the Maine Central Railroad in the town of Waterville."

Bill "an act giving to the inhabitants of that part of Frankfort annexed to Monroe by act of 1863, chapter 226, their portion of the money paid by the State to Frankfort under act of 1868, chapter 225."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 204 of the special laws of 1867, entitled "an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Augusta."

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to sell lot 129, in township No. 5, Range 3, in the County of Aroostook."

The foregoing bills and resolve were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, bills read the third, resolve the second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Warren Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Bill "an act incorporating the Cumberland County Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to change the name of plantation No. 2, Range 2, west of the Kennebec river, to Highland."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 538, special laws of 1868, entitled "an act to authorize Abernethy Grover to improve Sunday river."

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Auburn Aqueduct Company."

Bill "an act to authorize Nathan F. Houston to build a wharf into tide waters in Belfast."

Bill "an act authorizing John, George W. and Charles R. Locke to maintain a dam and sluice across the Ballard brook in Fryeburg."

Bill "an act to incorporate the North Penobscot Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Cumberland Air Power Co."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Eureka Slate Company in the town of Monson."

Bill "an act to authorize Edward L. Whittier and others, to extend their wharf into tide waters in Belfast."

Bill "an act to authorize the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad Company to construct wharves and piers into tide waters in Belfast, and to amend the charter of said company, and for other purposes."

Bill "an act to set off a part of a small island from Alton and annex the same to the town of Oldtown."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Cherryfield Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to authorize the construction of a fish weir in Pleasant river."

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the St. John Agricultural Society."

"Resolve in favor of Salmon Jones."

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to sell lot No. 143, in the plantation of Castle Hill, Aroostook county."

"Resolve in favor of Lewis Scott and John Bishop."

The foregoing bills and resolves were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, bills read the third, resolve the second time, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act authorizing Holden and Richardson of Cranberry Isle, to extend a fish weir in said town," was read three times, and recommitted.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Medway Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Poland and Minot Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to incorproate the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society."

Bill "an act to authorize the Franklin Wharf Company of Portland, to extend its wharf."

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Portland and Rutland Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to further protect certain fishing interests in the Sandy River pond and Lufkin pond."

The foregoing bills being on their passage to be engrossed, were laid on the table.

Bill "an act to incorporate the town of Codyville," being on its passage to be enacted, was referred to the next Legislature, with order of notice.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Alfred and South Berwick Railroad Company," being on its passage to be enacted, was tabled by Mr. COUSENS of Kennebunkport.

Bill "an act in relation to the Literary Fraternity and Philomathean Society."

Bill "an act to amend section 29 of chapter 81 of the revised statutes, relating to attachment of personal property."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Carroll Trotting Park Association."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Prentiss."

Bill "an act fixing the time when acts of incorporation shall become null and void."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Piscataqua Marine Railway Company."

Bill "an act authorizing E. K. Harding and others, to build and maintain a wharf in Small Point harbor."

Bill "an act surrendering the charter of the Maine State Seminary."

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Penobscot Log Driving Company."

Bill "an act to amend the charter of the city of Auburn."

Bill "an act in relation to the collection of taxes in the town of Brownfield."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Buxton and Bonney Eagle Branch Railroad Company."

Bill "an act amending an act to incorporate the Merchants' Warehouse Company, approved March 10, 1870."

"An act additional to an act entitled an act to enable the banks of this State to become banking associations under the laws of the United States, approved Feb. 24, 1865,

"An act authorizing C. Wasgatt of Swan Island to extend his fish weir into tide waters of Old Harbor."

Bill "an act additional to and amendatory of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad Co."

"Resolve in favor of the town of Fort Kent."

The foregoing bills having had three, and the resolve two several readings, and passed to be engrossed, were reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills passed to be enacted, resolve finally passed, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to repeal section 1, chapter 120 public laws of 1870, relating to the taking of porgies or menhaden in the waters of Maine," was taken from the table, amendment "A" adopted, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve in favor of Zephaniah B. Starbird and others," was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of David Dudley," was taken from the table, read once, and Tuesday assigned.

Bill "an act authorizing manufacturing corporations to flow flats and marshes of salt water rivers," was taken from the table, and recommitted on motion of Mr. BLISS of Washington.

Mr. CLEAVES gave notice to the Clerk, that on Monday, he should move that three members be added to the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

No chaplain present.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Remonstrance of Enoch E. Brown and others of Hartland, against consolidation of railroads in this State, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, and the House concurred.

Ordered, That the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, inquire into the expediency of repealing an act to authorize the consolidation of certain railroads, approved April 1, 1856. This order came from the Senate read and passed, and was read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, reporting reference to the next Legislature on petition of R. B. Shephard and others, praying that authority be granted to the town of Skowhegan to aid in the erection of a woollen factory in said town.

Report of the Committee on Claims, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of the Selectmen of Milo, for reimbursement of money paid to a soldier.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, reporting reference to the next Legislature on various orders, relating to savings banks.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting ought not to pass, on bill "an act to amend chapter 151 of the public laws of 1868."

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, reporting ought not to pass on bill "an act to provide for calling a convention to revise or amend the Constitution of the State of Maine."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition, reporting bill "an act to incorporate a fire department in West Water-ville Village"; also

Reporting ought to pass on bill "an act to amend section 47, chapter 27 of the revised statutes, concerning recognizances in appeals from magistrates."

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition, reporting bill "an act to amend an act to authorize a further extension of the Androscoggin Railroad, approved Feb. 4, 1867"; also

Reporting ought to pass on bill "an act to exempt railroad companies from liabilities in certain cases."

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Segeunkedunk Water Power and Manufacturing Company"; also

Reporting on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Saco Water Supply Company."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting ought to pass on "resolves relating to binding the acts and resolves of this State."

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of A. and P. Coburn, reporting a "resolve to aid in building a bridge over Moose river"; also

Reporting on order, a "resolve in aid of the road across Indian Township in the County of Washington"; also

Reporting on order, a "resolve in aid of rebuilding a bridge from Princeton to Indian Township in the County of Washington"; also

Reporting on petition, a "resolve in favor of plantation No. 11, R. 1, in aid of building a new road."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills and resolves read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolves

once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bills, and Wednesday next for the second reading of the resolves.

A communication from the Secretary of State transmitting the Report of Superintendent of Common Schools, came from the Senate read, and the report referred to the Committee on Education, and was read and referred in concurrence.

A message was received from the Senate through the Secretary, Mr. Lane, informing the House that in the absence of the President, Thomas P. Cleaves had been appointed President *pro tempore*.

Communication from the Secretary of State in response to an order, informing the House that the Report of the Commissioner of Insurance had not been received at his office, and that he had no information in regard to the same, was received and read.

Communication from the Governor transmitting information in relation to the cost of disbursing the appropriation in aid of the destitute orphans of soldiers and seamen, was received and read.

Bill "an act to authorize the owners of land adjoining railroads to build and maintain division fences";

Remonstrances of William Atkinson, Edward Scammon and others, and John McLain and others of New Vineyard—against consolidation of competing lines of railroad;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Bill "an act additional for the assessment and collection of taxes," was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petitions of W. H. Rhoades and others, and A. K. Wheeler, for repeal of the charter of the Cobb Lime Company;

Bill "an act relating to the powers of moderators";

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petitions of A. W. Heath and others of Sidney, N. Bachelder and others, for repeal of the law relating to the employment of teachers, was referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Charles Donavant and others, for authority to build a fish weir in the Eastern harbor, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BURGESS of Portland,

Ordered, That the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance consider the expediency of amending section 54, chapter 49 of the revised statutes of 1871, so that insurance companies shall report to the Insurance Commissioner on the 31st day of December, instead of the time now appointed.

On motion of Mr. CARLETON of Whitefield,

Ordered, That the Committee on Banks and Banking, in addition to the order heretofore referred, be directed to inquire and report the following points in relation to the American Bank at Hallowell, and that they be authorized to send for persons and papers.

1. When said bank went into the hands of receivers.
2. The gross amount of assets which came into their hands, real and personal.
3. The amount of money collected and actually received by them for such assets.
4. The amount in gross charged by them to expense account.
5. Whether the receivers have brought in any of their receipts for bills allowed, or debts proved, and what amounts, and at what per cent., and whether the receipts so produced have been destroyed or cancelled in any way.
6. Whether any claims or securities turned out by any of the debtors of the bank to be applied in any way to the pay of their indebtedness to the bank has been brought in by said receivers, or their attorneys for their own benefit, and the amount of said purchases and the amount paid therefor.
7. Whether there is any sufficient legal remedy for the negligent and improper management of banks by receivers, if not, and report a bill.

This order was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking without adoption.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HOBART of Dennyville,

Ordered, That the Governor be requested to inform this House, whether the Portland, Saco and Portsmouth Railroad Company, have made any such report or exhibit as is provided by their charter, by an act approved March 14, 1837, which provides that at the expiration of every twelve years the Treasurer of said cor-

poration shall make an exhibit, under oath, to the Legislature, of the profits derived from the income of said railroad, so that as said act further provides, the Legislature may dispose of any surplus over the amount allowed to said road for tolls, for the benefit of common schools or otherwise, according to the pleasure of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. HATHAWAY of Skowhegan,

Ordered, That the Committee on Pay Roll are hereby instructed to make up the pay of J. H. Goodrich, member of the House from Moscow, who has been unavoidably detained from his seat during the present session, to such amount as the Committee deem proper in the case.

Mr. ATWELL, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Whitman A. Holt, for charter for steamboat on Webb's pond in Weld and Carthage.

The report was read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. MARTIN, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition, reported "resolve in favor of James B. Leslie."

Mr. HACKER, from the same Committee, on petition, reported "resolve for an appropriation on a road in Castle Hill plantation."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 40 of the revised statutes of 1871, relating to fish and fisheries."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 40 of the revised statutes of 1871, relating to river fisheries."

Bill "an act amendatory of chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to railroads."

Bill, "an act to authorize Thomas Taylor to employ and use steam power to transport passengers and freight in the towns of Farmington, New Sharon, Phillips, and other places."

Bill "an act to repeal an act creating a State Liquor Commissioner."

Bill "an act defining the notice on petitions for assessment of damages for land taken by railroad corporations."

These reports were read and accepted, resolves read once, printed bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bills, and Wednesday for the second reading of the resolves.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Oldtown Water-Power and Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 18, section 1 of the revised statutes, relating to repairs of highways."

Bill "an act relative to pretended savings banks."

The foregoing bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and laid on the table.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Somerset Boom Company," was reported, read the third time, and recommitted to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Bill "an act for the relinquishment to the United States in certain cases of title to lands for sites for light stations on the coast and waters of the State," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading; read the third time, Senate amendments "A" and "B" adopted, and passed, to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act giving the consent of the Legislature of Maine to the purchase by the United States of land within this State for public purposes."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Vassalborough Woolen Mills Company."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 348 of the private and special laws of 1870, conferring certain powers on the city of Portland."

Bill "an act to prevent the destruction of fish in Penamaquon river in Pembroke."

Bill "an act concerning bills in equity."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Cooper Brook Dam Company."

"Resolve authorizing the Attorney General to institute certain legal proceedings."

The foregoing bills and resolve were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the bills read the third, resolve the second time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to authorize the Somerset and Kennebec Railroad Company to connect their railroad with the Maine Central Railroad in the town of Waterville."

Bill "an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government."

Bill "an act additional to and amendatory of chapter 48 of the revised statutes, in regard to the formation of corporations."

Bill "an act concerning the liability of railroads for defective crossings."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Fort Point Hotel Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Northeast Pond Dam Company."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 204 of the special laws of 1867, entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Augusta."

Bill "an act additional to section 25 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes, in relation to petitions for increase of damages by reason of the laying out, altering or widening of town ways."

Bill "an act to extend the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad."

Bill "an act giving to the inhabitants of that part of Frankfort annexed to Monroe by act of 1863, chapter 226, their portion of the money paid by the State to Frankfort, under act of 1868, chapter 225."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Fairfield Savings Bank."

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Sebec Railroad Company."

Bill "an act additional to the charter of the Portland and Rochester Railroad Company, authorizing the extension of its road in Portland."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 408 of the private laws of 1870."

Bill "an act to set off certain territory from Baldwin and annex the same to Sebago."

"Resolve in favor of the inhabitants of No. 5, R. 1, in the County of Oxford."

"Resolves making appropriations for the Penobscot Indians."

"Resolve in favor of John S. Arnold and Warren S. Dwinell."

"Resolve laying a tax on the several counties in this State."

"Resolve in favor of the inhabitants of Riley plantation, in the County of Oxford."

"Resolve for the effectual destruction of bonds and coupons of the State of Maine, after the same shall have been registered."

"Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on State Reform School."

"Resolve in favor of the town of New Portland."

The foregoing bills having had three, and the resolves **two** several readings, and passed to be engrossed, were reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills passed to be enacted, resolves finally passed signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the town of Deering," being on its passage to be enacted, was laid on the table.

Bill "an act additional to an act to provide for the more free navigation of the Penobscot river," was taken from the table on motion of Mr. ATWELL of Orono, and referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. HEATH of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Remonstrances of C. J. Guptill and others of Gouldsborough, Samuel Taylor and others, Thomas H. Mead and others, against consolidation of railroads in this State, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, and were referred in concurrence.

Order directing the Committee on Legal Reform to inquire into the expediency of requiring all railroad trains to be supplied with fog signals, to be used in case of accidents, came from the Senate read, amended by substituting the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, and was read, and the amendment concurred in, and passed in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending section 4, chapter 124, revised statutes, relating to offences ; also

Inquire into the expediency of amending section 9, chapter 60, relating to divorce.

These orders came from the Senate read and passed, and were read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting reference to the next Legislature on petition of Henry Rolfe, for remuneration for his land sold to other parties.

Report of the Piscataquis County Delegation, reporting same on petition of the town of Atkinson, for reduction of valuation.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of M. S. Stuart, for an appropriation on the road in Castle Hill; also

Reporting same on petition of Jonathan Hilton and others, for an act to authorize the taxation of wild land in Somerset county.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, reporting ought to pass on bill "an act to authorize the city of Belfast to purchase the first mortgage bonds of the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad," came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

Report of same Committee, reporting ought to pass in a new draft, bill "an act relating to the administration of oaths and the acknowledgment of deeds and other papers."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reporting bill "an act to protect bridges from injury by droves of cattle"; also

Reporting, on order, bill "an act to amend section 116 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to the collection of taxes."

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on petition, reporting bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Warren Manufacturing Company."

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, reporting ought to pass on bill "an act to incorporate the Orono Horticultural Society."

Report of the Committee on the Library, reporting "resolve making an appropriation for the State Library."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills and resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned.

The Report of the Commissioners upon the Jail System of the State, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and was referred in concurrence.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, in response to an order transmitting information from the Insurance Commissioner in relation to the report of said Commissioner, which was read.

The Clerk announced to the House that he had delivered the message with which he was charged to the Senate on Saturday last, requesting that branch to transmit to the House the Report of the Commissioners on Paper Credits with accompanying documents. In response, the following communication was received from the Senate:

The report of the Commissioners on Paper Credits was received by the Senate on the 19th of January, that such parts as are of importance are in the hands of the printers, and will not probably be returned before the first day of May, when it will be ready for distribution.

The foregoing was referred to a Special Committee, as follows: Messrs. Pike of Calais, Wilson of Thomaston, Lord of Alfred, Haskell of Portland, Cram of Brunswick.

Remonstrances of P. N. Blanchard and others of Yarmouth, J. C. Monson and others, Oscar Woodward and others—against consolidation of railroads;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of the inhabitants of Charlotte, for reduction of valuation, was referred to the Washington County Delegation;

Bill "an act to amend section 46 of chapter 38 of the revised statutes, relating to the sale of milk";

Bill "an act to incorporate the Calais Tug Boat Company";

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of the Selectmen of Grafton, for an act to make valid the doings of said town," was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. RAWSON of Bangor,

Ordered, That the Joint Special Committee on Printing and

Binding be requested forthwith to report to this House any and all proposals and accompanying documents received in answer to their advertisement, up to January 24th, at 12 M.

On motion of Mr. CLARK of Lincoln,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of passing an act increasing the salary of the County Attorney of Penobscot county.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HOBART of Dennysville,

Ordered, That the Committee on Finance consider the expediency of assessing a State tax for the year 1871, of \$1,125,000.

Mr. CLEAVES, from the Committee on Legal Reform, reported leave to withdraw on petition of J. A. Johnson and others, for an act to prevent the cutting of ice on ponds.

Mr. HOBSON, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported same on various petitions, for repeal of the law to prevent the throwing of slabs into Penobscot river.

Mr. HEATH, from the Committee on Legal Reform, reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to destruction of forests by fire.

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported reference to the next Legislature on the memorial of George M. Weston, praying for repeal of resolve of 1850, in respect to his accounts with the State.

Mr. BEAN, from the Oxford County Delegation, on order, reported legislation inexpedient relating to auditing expenses incurred in the arrest of one Truman F. Young, who robbed the Norway Savings Bank.

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought not to pass on bill "an act relating to divorce."

These reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. STICKNEY, from the Aroostook County Delegation, reported "resolve in relation to the valuation of certain towns, plantations and townships in Aroostook county for the abatement of taxes thereon."

The foregoing was ordered to be printed.

Mr. HARRIMAN, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Branch Railroad Company."

This report was read and accepted and the bill ordered to be printed.

Mr. CLEAVES, from the Committee on Legal Reform, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to amend chapter 230, special laws of 1854, entitled "an act to prevent obstructions in the Narragagus river."

Mr. WHITMORE, from the Committee on Fisheries, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize Darius Wellington to construct and maintain a fish weir in Haycock harbor."

Mr. ATWELL, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to prevent obstructions in Union river."

Printed bill "an act to incorporate the Northern Aroostook Railroad Company."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and tomorrow assigned for the third reading.

Bill "an act to authorize Thomas Taylor to employ and use steam power to transport passengers and freight in the towns of Farmington, New Sharon, Phillips, and other places."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 40 of the revised statutes of 1871, relating to fish and fisheries."

Bill "an act to repeal an act creating a State Liquor Commissioner."

Bill "an act relative to the inspection of herring."

The foregoing bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and laid on the table.

Bill "an act to amend an act to authorize a further extension of the Androscoggin Railroad, approved February 4, 1867."

Bill "an act to amend section 47 of chapter 27 of the revised statutes, concerning recognizances in appeals from magistrates."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Segeunkedunk Water Power and Manufacturing Company."

The foregoing bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 40 of the revised statutes of 1871, relating to river fisheries."

Bill "an act amendatory of chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to railroads."

Bill "an act defining the notice on petitions for assessment of damages for lands taken by railroad corporations."

The foregoing bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Alfred and South Berwick Railroad Company," was taken from the table, passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Pemaquid Ice Company," was taken from the table, amendment "A" adopted, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to authorize the formation of railroad corporations," was taken from the table.

Mr. WILSON offered amendment "B."

Pending amendments "A" and "B," laid on the table.

The opinions of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court upon the following questions, viz:

Has the Legislature authority under the Constitution to pass laws enabling towns, by gifts of money or loans of bonds, to assist individuals or corporations to establish or carry on manufacturing of various kinds, within or without the limits of said towns? And if towns thus authorized may assist private parties; may they go further and establish manufactories entirely on their own account and run them by the ordinary town officers or otherwise?

Were received and ordered to be printed.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. STOCKBRIDGE of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Remonstrance of inhabitants of Alna and Bridgewater, against consolidation of railroads in this State, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, and was referred in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 48 of the revised statutes as to allow corporations formed under its provisions to increase their capital stock, after formed, within the limits therein prescribed, and to change the number of directors.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and was read and passed in concurrence.

Final report of the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting ought not to pass on bill "an act additional to chapter 92 of the revised statutes, relating to flowing lands."

Report of the Committee on Claims, on petitions of various persons, for titles to lands conveyed to the European and North American Railway Company, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of the Androscoggin Railroad Company, for extension of said railroad to Bath.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Bickford C. Mathews, for compensation for building county road in Waldo county.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, reporting ought to pass in a new draft, on bill "an act to secure a lien on bricks."

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, reporting ought to pass on bill "an act to amend section 10, chapter 26 of the revised statutes, relating to forms of actions."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting ought to

pass in a new draft, on bill "an act requiring blanks to be furnished to trial justices by the several counties."

"Resolve in favor of the heirs of the late Captain Lewey."

The foregoing reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills and resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned.

"Resolve in favor of the Committee on Agriculture," came from the Senate read and passed to be engrossed, and was read twice and tabled on motion of Mr. SMITH of Parsonsfield.

"Resolve laying a tax on the several counties in this State," came from the Senate amended as per sheet "A" and passed to be engrossed.

Senate amendment was adopted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Remonstrance of J. C. Jewett and others, against repeal of the law relating to the employment of teachers, was referred to the Committee on Education.

Remonstrances of Charles W. Pike and others of Cornish, Hiram Worthing and others, R. P. Thompson and others of Jay, against consolidation of railroads in this State, were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Oliver Moses and others, for incorporation of the Sagadahoc Savings Bank, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of J. S. Hamilton, for appointment of Trustees of the Agricultural College; and

Remonstrance of S. H. Dale and others, against the same;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of Charles and George Wilbur, to be set off from Waltham to Eastbrook, was referred to the next Legislature, with order of notice.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

"Resolve amending State valuation of township No. 2, R. 5, Arrostook county," was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. GRAY of Harrison, was excused from further attendance at this session, and the Committee on Pay Roll directed to make up his pay.

B. Harry Hawes, Page of the House, was excused from further attendance at this session, and the Committee on Pay Roll directed to make up his pay to the end of the session.

On motion of Mr. HOBART of Dennysville,

Ordered, That the House hold two sessions a day on and after Thursday, February 16, the morning session to begin at 10 o'clock A. M., the afternoon session at 3 o'clock, until otherwise ordered.

Mr. BLISS, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to protection of bridges on Aroostook river.

Mr. PALMER, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, reported same on order relating to the American Bank of Hallowell.

Mr. BRAGDON, from the Committee on Education, reported same on order relating to raising money for graded schools.

Mr. BONNEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported same on order relating to the election of police officers by towns; also

Reported same on order relating to rights of mill owners.

Mr. LORD, from the same Committee, reported same on an order relating to claims against insolvent estates; also

Reported same on order relating to liens of persons cutting, peeling and making hemlock bark.

Mr. COLBURN, from the Committee on Education, reported, ought not to pass on bill "an act to increase the common school tax, and to establish select free schools.

Mr. BONNEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported same on bill "an act further defining the jurisdiction of the Superior Court for the County of Cumberland"; also

Reported same on bill "an act in relation to offers to be defaulted"; also

Reported same on bill "an act relating to the powers of moderators."

Mr. COMINS, from the Committee on Claims, reported reference to the next Legislature, on petition of Selectmen of Houlton, for reimbursement of money paid to fill the quota of said town in 1864.

Mr. BURGESS, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reported same on bill "an act to authorize the formation and regulation of railroad corporations."

Mr. HACKER, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Vital Thibedeau and others, praying that the State may give them titles to their lands.

Mr. LORD, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported same on petition of John Hanson, for an act to make valid the doings of the town of Jay.

Mr. PIKE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported same on a petition of D. F. Leavitt, for incorporation of the East Branch Dam Company.

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. ADAMS, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on order, reported bill "an act relating to costs."

Mr. CLEAVES, from the same Committee, on order, reported a "resolve providing for an amendment of the Constitution, so as to authorize the Legislature to call a Constitutional Convention."

Mr. HUTCHINGS, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on recommitted bill "an act to amend chapter 16 of the revised statutes, relating to drains and common sewers," reporting the same ought to pass in a new draft.

Mr. BONNEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass on bill "an act amendatory of section 27, chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to taxes"; also

Reported same on bill "an act amendatory of section 14, chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to the assessment of taxes"; also

Reported, on order, bill "an act fixing the liability of stockholders in corporations."

Mr. WILSON reported ought to pass on bill "an act to amend section 46, chapter 36 of the revised statutes, relating to the sale of milk."

Mr. HOLT, from the Committee on Education, on order, reported bill "an act in aid of free high schools."

Mr. BURGESS, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on order, reported bill "an act giving additional powers to the Railroad Commissioners."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, and the bills and resolves ordered to be printed under joint rule.

Printed bill "an act to repeal sections 48 to 53 inclusive of chapter 47 of the revised statutes, relating to bank returns," was read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Printed bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Branch Railroad Company," was read twice, and tabled on motion of Mr. BIRD of Rockland.

Mr. BONNEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of N. S. Harlow, reported bill "an act authorizing the city of Bangor to aid the Bangor Mercantile Association"; also

Reported ought to pass on bill "an act amendatory to an act to incorporate the Phillips Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Mr. PIKE, from the same Committee, reported same on bill "an act to incorporate the Calais Tug Boat Company."

Mr. HUTCHINGS, from the same Committee, on order, reported bill "an act to establish the salary of the County Attorney for Penobscot county."

Mr. HASKELL, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Mechanics Savings Bank."

Mr. WHITMORE, from the Committee on Fisheries, on petition, reported bill "an act to amend sections 58 and 59 of chapter 40 of the revised statutes, relating to the taking of smelts."

Mr. BLISS, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Parker's Bay Ice Company."

Mr. ATWELL, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the East Branch Dam and Improvement Company."

Mr. TALBOT, from the same Committee, on petition, reported, bill "an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse material into the river St. Croix and its tributaries."

Mr. NORCROSS, from the Committee on Education, on the Report of the Superintendent of Common Schools, reported "resolve relative to the Normal School at Castine."

Mr. CHAPIN, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition, reported "resolve in favor of John H. Eveleth."

Mr. HACKER, from the same Committee, on order, reported

“resolve making an appropriation for the purpose of building a bridge over Molunkus stream on the Military road.”

Mr. MORTON, from the same Committee, on order, reported “resolve in favor of the town of Kingsbury in aid of repairing road in said town.”

Mr. BUSWELL, from the same Committee, reported “resolve in aid of the road leading from Monson to Greenville in the county of Piscataquis.”

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolves read once, and to-morrow assigned.

Mr. BLISS, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on re-committed bill, reported bill “an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Damariscotta Water Power Company.”

The report was read and accepted, bill read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill “an act to exempt railroad companies from liability in certain cases,” was reported, read the third time, amended as per sheet “A,” on motion of Mr. CLEAVES of Portland, and indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

Bill “an act to incorporate a fire department at West Waterville,” was reported and read the third time, amended as per “A,” on motion of Mr. HEATH of Waterville, and laid on the table.”

Bill “an act to incorporate the Northern Aroostook Railroad Company.”

Bill “an act to protect bridges from injury by droves of cattle.”

The foregoing were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and laid on the table.

Bill “an act to amend section 116, chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to the collection of taxes.”

Bill “an act relating to instruction in industrial or mechanical drawing.”

“Resolve in favor of Joseph A. Chambers.”

These bills and resolve were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, bills read the third, resolve the second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 280, special laws of 1854, entitled an act to prevent obstructions on the Narraguagus river."

Bill "an act authorizing Darius Wellington, to construct and maintain a fish weir in Haycock harbor."

Bill "an act to prevent obstructions in Union river."

Bill "an act amendatory of chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to railroads."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Jay Boom Company."

"Resolve relating to the military stores at Portland."

"Resolve in favor of Prentiss M. Fogler."

The foregoing bills and resolves were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, bills read the third, resolves the second time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve in favor of the road from Van Buren to Grant Isle," was read the second time, and indefinitely postponed, on motion of Mr. SEWALL of Oldtown, by yeas 70, nays 58.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Berry of Damariscotta, Berry of Buxton, Bishop Blanchard, Bliss, Bonney, Bradbury, Bragdon, Burgess, Carleton, Carver, Clark of Lincoln, Clook, Cobb, Cram, Orchore, Cushing, Doering, Dingley, Ellis, Foster, Gannett, Googins, Green of Wilton, Hastings, Haydon, Heath, Hill, Hobart, Hodgdon, Hopkins of Bluehill, Hopkins of Mt. Vernon, Jones of Norway, Jones of Springfield, Knapp, Knight, Lane, Minot, Moore of Machiasport, Osgood of Lewiston, Palmer, Perkins of Poland, Pike, Rawson, Raynes, Reed of Waldoborough, Reynolds, Sayward, Sewall, Simpson, Skillin, Smith of Parsonsfield, Snow, Snowman, Stewart, Taber, Talbot, Taylor, Tobbetts, Thompson of Trenton, Wagg, Wall, Wass, White of Winterport, White of Greenfield, Whiting, Whitmore, Wilson, Willard, Wyman—70.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Adams, Andrews of Palmyra, Atwell, Bartlett, Bean, Blossom, Brewer, Brown, Buswell, Chapin, Cleaves, Colburn, Comins, Drisco, Dustin, Emery, Ervin, Fish, Greene of Temple, Hacker, Hammond, Harriman, Haskell of Garland, Haskell of Portland, Hathaway, Heal, Hinkley, Hobson, Holt, Hutchins, Jenkins, Johnson, Keogan, Lamb, Lord, Mahony, Martin, Mayo, Mooers, Nutter, Osgood of Durham, Parsons, Potter, Ray, Reed of No. 11, Robinson, Rodick, Simonton, Stickney, Storer, Thompson of Dover, Winter, Woodbury—58.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Oldtown Water Power and Manufacturing Company," was taken from the table, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act to authorize the Franklin Wharf Company of Portland, to extend its wharf," was taken from the table by Mr. CLEAVES of Portland, and passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the town of Deering," was taken from the table, passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. SEWALL of Oldtown,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. PARK of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Petition of the Selectmen of Bingham, for abatement of State tax, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, and was laid on the table on motion of Mr. HACKER of Fort Fairfield.

Final reports of the Committees on the Judiciary, State Lands and State Roads, Railroads, Coast and Frontier Defences, came from the Senate read and accepted, and were read, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. CRAM of Brunswick.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting reference to the next Legislature on Report of the Commissioners upon the Jail System of the State; also

Reporting same on that part of the Governor's Address that relates to biennial sessions; also

Reporting leave to withdraw on petition of W. R. Ayer and others, for an act to authorize cities and towns to loan their credit in aid of manufactures.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting same on petition of Henry P. Perry for deed of a lot of land to Mary A. Bean.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reporting legislation inexpedient on order relating to the necessity of requiring railroad trains to be supplied with fog signals to be used in case of accidents.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting same on order inquiring into the expediency of providing by law that cities and towns may loan their credit in aid of manufactures.

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, and were read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting ought not to pass on bill "an act to repeal an act entitled an act to incorporate the Cobb Lime Company," came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and tabled on motion of Mr. REED of Waldoborough.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition, reporting bill "an act for the extension of the Boston and Maine Railroad."

This report came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice, and this afternoon assigned for the third reading.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Bangor Masonic Fraternity," came from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed, and was read twice and to-morrow assigned for the third reading.

Communication was received from the Governor, informing the House that the Portland, Saco and Portsmouth Railroad Company had made an exhibit of the profits of said road in accordance with the provisions of its charter.

Petition of Lozier V. T. Richie, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

"Resolve requesting our Senators and Representatives in Congress to make efforts to retrieve wrongs practiced upon the Indians," was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Bill "an act to amend section 10, chapter 3 of the revised statutes, prohibiting treasurers and collectors of towns from serving as selectmen and assessors";

Bill "an act relating to the rule of evidence";

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Remonstrance of the Portland, Rutland, Oswego and Chicago Railroad Company, against any invasion of its rights;

Remonstrance of Eliphalet Clark and others, and L. D. Cole and others of Portland, L. P. Thompson and others, James Larrabee and others of Scarborough, William F. Rundlette and others, John B. Curtis and others, John A. Montgomery and others, Moses Gould and others, William Curtis and others of Portland—against the same;

Remonstrance of the inhabitants of Liberty, against railroad consolidation;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of the Selectmen of Lyndon, praying that public lots in said town may be set apart for settlement, was referred to the next Legislature.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. NORCROSS, from the Committee on Education, made a final report, which was read, and laid on the table by Mr. CRAM of Brunswick.

Mr. ATWELL, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Birch Stream Dam Company, for increase of tolls.

Mr. GANNETT, from the Committee on Pensions, reported same on petition of Rufus G. Curtis for aid from the State.

Mr. WYMAN, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on petition for incorporation of the Sagadahoc Savings Bank, reported reference to the next Legislature.

Mr. BURGESS, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reported same on remonstrances against consolidation of competing lines of railroads.

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relating to amendment of chapter 77 of the revised statutes, reported legislation inexpedient.

Mr. COLBURN, from the Committee on Education, on order

directing said Committee to report the whole number of petitions for the repeal of the law relating to employment of teachers, reported that the papers containing the same were not in possession of the Committee.

The foregoing reports were read and accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. PIKE, from the Special Committee, to which was referred the message of the Senate relating to the Report of the Commission on Paper Credits to the House, reported the following preamble and resolution :

WHEREAS, the Commission appointed by the Governor to examine what are generally known as "paper credits," was directed by the resolve creating the same to report "to the Legislature," and whereas said Commission in accordance with said resolve, did make a report addressed "to the Senate and House of Representatives," accompanied by the testimony taken by it, and deposited the same with the President of the Senate on the 19th of January last for the use of the Legislature, and whereas the House of Representatives, desirous of examining said report and testimony with a view to determine the proper legislative action to be taken thereon, on the 10th instant sent to the Senate a request for said report and documents, and on the 14th inst. received a reply from that body stating that it had directed a portion of said documents to be printed "for the use of the Legislature," and that said documents were then in the hands of the printer, and so many of them as should be printed would not probably be ready for distribution before the first of May next, and for that reason declines to accede to the request of this House, therefore

Resolved, That the House of Representatives protests against the course of the Senate in thus ignoring a co-ordinate branch of the Legislature in a matter in which both are equally interested, and thus withholding information on which to base legislative action, until too late for that purpose, and it further protests against the right of the Senate to order printed for both Houses, documents it deems unnecessary for legislative purposes, and thereby incur large and unauthorized expenditure of the public money.

The resolution was adopted, and the report and resolve ordered to be spread upon the Journal of the House.

Mr. ATWELL, from the Committee on Military Affairs, on the Governor's Address, reported "resolve in relation to the colors now in the rotunda of the Capitol."

Mr. HOBART, from the Committee on Finance, reported ought to pass on "resolve amending the State valuation and abating State tax on township No. 6, R. 5, Aroostook county."

These reports were read and accepted, resolves read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. BURGESS, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition, reported bill "an act regulating railroad corporations."

Mr. NORCROSS, from the Committee on Education, on recommendation of Superintendent of Common Schools, reported bill "an act to establish the school mill fund for the support of common schools."

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reported bill "an act relating to transfer of prisoners from one county jail to another"; also

Reported on order, bill "an act regulating meetings of cities and towns in aid of persons and corporations."

Mr. HATHAWAY, from the Committee on Education, on the Report of the Superintendent of Common Schools, reported bill "an act to amend section 54, clause 3, of the school laws in relation to the powers and duties of Superintending School Committees."

Mr. HOLT, from the same Committee, reported bill "an act fixing the salary of the State Superintendent of Common Schools."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, and the bills ordered to be printed.

Mr. WYMAN, from the Committee on State Prison, presented a report, also bill "an act additional to chapter 140 of the revised statutes, relating to the State Prison, and resolve in favor of the State Prison."

The report, bill and resolve were ordered to be printed.

Mr. BLISS, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of Edgar Day, reported bill "an act to amend chapter 338 of the public laws of 1870, relating to the throwing of saw-dust and shavings into the Medomak river."

Mr. TALBOT, from the same Committee, reported ought to pass on bill "an act additional to an act to provide for a more free navigation of Penobscot river."

Mr. CARVER, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act additional to an act to establish the Stillwater Canal Corporation."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice and tomorrow assigned.

Bill "an act requiring blanks to be furnished to trial justices by the several counties."

Bill "an act to amend sections 58 and 59 of chapter 40 of the revised statutes, relating to the taking of smelts."

The foregoing were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time and indefinitely postponed.

Bill "an act to establish the salary of the County Attorney for Penobscot county," was reported, read the third time, amendment "A" offered by Mr. PIKE of Calais, amendment "B" by Mr. CARLETON of Whitefield, pending which the bill was tabled by Mr. HUTCHINGS of Brewer.

Bill "an act to amend section 10 of chapter 26 of the revised statutes, relating to forms of actions."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Parker's Bay Ice Company."

Bill "an act to secure a lien on bricks."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and laid on the table.

Bill "an act authorizing the city of Bangor to aid the Bangor Mercantile Association."

"Resolve in favor of the heirs of the late Captain Lewey."

The foregoing bill and resolve were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the bill read the third, resolve the second time, each amended as per sheets "A," and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Warren Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act relating to the administration of oaths and the acknowledgment of deeds and other papers."

The foregoing bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in

the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act amendatory to an act to incorporate the Phillips Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Calais Tug Boat Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Mechanics' Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to incorporate the East Branch Dam and Improvement Company."

Bill "an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse material into the river St. Croix and its tributaries."

"Resolve in favor of David Dudley."

"Resolve in relation to lands in the towns of Madawaska and Frenchville, and the plantations of St. John, St. Francis and Wallagrass."

"Resolve in aid of road through township Letter F, Aroostook county."

These bills and resolves were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, bills read the third, resolves the second time, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve for an appropriation on the road in Castle Hill," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the second time, and indefinitely postponed, on motion of Mr. SEW-ALL of Oldtown, by yeas 88, nays 38.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Anderson, Bartlett, Berry of Buxton, Bean, Bishop, Blanchard, Bliss, Bonney, Bradbury, Bragdon, Brown, Burgess, Burnham, Carleton, Chase, Clark of Lincoln, Clook, Cobb, Cousens, Cram, Deering, Dingley, Ellis, Ervin, Fish, Foster, Gannett, Goodwin, Googins, Green of Wilton, Green of Temple, Hammond, Hastings, Hayden, Heath, Hill, Hobart, Hodgdon, Hopkins of Bluehill, Hopkins of Mt. Vernon, Jenkins, Johnson, Jones of Norway, Jones of Springfield, Knapp, Knight, Lane, Minot, Moore of Buckfield, Moore of Machiasport, Osgood of Lewiston, Osgood of Durham, Palmer, Perkins of Poland, Perkins of Farmington, Pike, Rawson, Raynes, Reed of Waldoborough, Reynolds, Robie, Robinson, Sanborn of Kittery, Sayward, Sewall, Severance, Simpson, Skillin, Snow, Snowman, Stackpole, Storer, Stewart, Taber, Talbot, Taylor, Tebbets, Thompson of Trenton, Wads-

worth, Wagg, Wall, Weed, White of Winterport, White of Greenfield, Whitmore, Wilson, Willard, Wyman—88.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Adams, Andrews of Palmyra, Atwell, Bird, Brewer, Buswell, Chapin, Clark of China, Colburn, Comins, Drisco, Hacker, Harriman, Haskell of Garland, Haskell of Portland, Hathaway, Heal, Hinkley, Hobson, Holt, Hutchins, Keegan, Lamb, Lord, Martin, Mayo, Mooers, Nutter, Parsons, Partridge, Reed of No. 11, Rodick, Simonton, Smith of Parsonsfield, Stickney, Thompson of Dover, Winter, Woodbury—38.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Branch Railroad Company," was taken from the table and assigned for to-morrow.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Medway Railway Company," was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to enable the city of Bangor to aid the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company in the extended construction of its railroad," was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Bill "an act for the extension of the Boston and Maine Railroad," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and the question being on passing the same to be engrossed, the House, on motion of Mr. SEWALL of Oldtown, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the act.

Mr. PIKE of Calais, was appointed Chairman, who subsequently reported the Committee had had the subject under consideration, also reported the bill back to the House without recommendation thereon.

The House resumed the consideration of the bill, and the question being on passing the same to be engrossed, Mr. COUSENS of Kennebunkport moved, and the House ordered, that it be taken

by yeas and nays, and being so taken it was decided in the affirmative, by yeas 105, nays 24.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams, Andrews of Palmyra, Anderson, Atwell, Bartlett, Berry of Buxton, Bean, Bird, Bishop, Blanchard, Blossom, Bliss, Bradbury, Brewer, Brown, Burnham, Carleton, Carver, Chapin, Clark of China, Clark of Lincoln, Cleaves, Clook, Cobb, Coburn, Comins, Cousens, Deering, Dingley, Drisco, Dustin, Ellis, Emery, Ervin, Fish, Foster, Gannett, Goodwin, Googins, Green of Wilton, Green of Temple, Hacker, Hammond, Harriman, Haskell of Garland, Hastings, Hathaway, Hayden, Heal, Hill, Hobart, Hodgdon, Holt, Hopkins of Bluchill, Hatchins, Jones of Norway, Jones of Springfield, Keegan, Knapp, Knight, Lord, Mahony, Martin, Mayo, Mooers, Moore of Buckfield, Nutter, Osgood of Lewiston, Osgood of Durham, Parsons, Partridge, Perkins of Poland, Perkins of Farmington, Ray, Raynes, Reed of Waldoboro', Reed of No. 11, Reynolds, Robinson, Rodick, Sayward Severance, Simonton, Simpson, Skillin, Smith of Parsonsfield, Snow, Snowman, Stackpole, Stickney, Taber, Tebbetts, Thompson of Dover, Thompson of Trenton, Wadsworth, Wagg, Wass, Weed, White of Winterport, White of Greenfield, Whiting, Whitmore, Willard, Woodbury, Wyman—105.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Bonney, Burgess, Chase, Crall, Hagar, Haskell of Portland, Heath, Hopkins of Mt. Vernon, Jenkins, Johnson, Lane, Minot, Moore of Machiasport, Pike, Potter, Rawson, Robie, Sanborn of Kittery, Sewall, Storer, Taylor, Wall, Wilson, Winter—24.

On motion of Mr. HARRIMAN of Belfast,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. PAINE of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Remonstrance of citizens of Orland and Bucksport, against erection of a fishway over the dams on Eastern river in Orland, came from the Senate referred to the next Legislature, and was referred in concurrence.

Final reports of the Committees on Fisheries, Pensions, Banks and Banking, Federal Relations, Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, Education, and Agriculture, came from the Senate read and accepted, and were read and laid on the table.

Report of the Committees on Education and Military Affairs, on order, relative to introducing military tactics into common schools, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reporting same on order inquiring into the expediency of requiring insurance companies to report on the 31st of December instead of the time now fixed.

Report of the Committee on Claims, reporting reference to the next Legislature, on petition of the Selectmen of Bradley, for reimbursement of money paid into the State Treasury in 1864.

Report of the Penobscot County Delegation, on petition of the town of Chester, for change of valuation, reporting leave to withdraw.

Report of the York County Delegation, reporting ought not to pass on "resolve relating to the valuation of Kittery."

The foregoing reports came from the Senate read and accepted, and were read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Printing and Binding, reporting a contract made with Messrs. Hartford and Smith for doing the State binding for the current year.

This report came from the Senate read and accepted, and the contract approved.

The report was read and accepted, and the contract approved in concurrence.

"Resolve directing the Superintendent of Common Schools to ascertain what school money may be due the State"; and

"Resolve in favor of the inhabitants of Riley plantation," came from the Senate read twice, and passed to be engrossed, and were read once and to-morrow assigned.

Bill "an act to authorize Edward L. Whittier and others to extend their wharf into tide water in Belfast," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed, Senate amendment "A" adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to exempt females from arrest for debt," passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

Tabled on motion of Mr. WILSON of Thomaston.

"Resolve in favor of the road leading from Van Buren plantation to Grant Isle," indefinitely postponed by the House, came back from the Senate passed to be engrossed.

The House adhered, on motion of Mr. CARLETON of Whitefield.

Bill "an act to exempt railroad companies from liability in certain cases," amended as per sheet "A" and indefinitely postponed by the House, came from the Senate, amendment "A" adopted, and passed to be engrossed.

The House, on motion of Mr. BURGESS of Portland, adhered.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 456 of the special laws of 1870, entitled an act to procure the enforcement of an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into Penobscot river," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

Tabled by Mr. RAWSON of Bangor.

Bill "an act to incorporate the York Brick Company."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Burlington."

Report of the Committee on the Reform School, reporting "resolve in favor of the State Reform School."

Report of the Committee on Claims, on petition, reporting "resolve in favor of D. R. Stockwell and George S. Chalmers."

The foregoing reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills and resolves read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, resolves once, and to-morrow assigned.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reporting ought to pass on bill "an act to amend section 15, chapter 617, acts of 1867, entitled an act to incorporate the Penobscot Bay and River Railroad Company," came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, bill read twice, and ordered to be printed on motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais.

Petitions of A. S. Fales and others of Cushing, George A. Miller and others of Washington, P. T. Ulmer and others of Camden, William Bradford and others of Friendship, Ansel Hastings and others, E. Lovett and others of Union, and Alex Woodman and others, for repeal of the charter of the Cobb Lime Company, were laid on the table by Mr. BLISS of Washington.

Petition of Asa H. Keene and others, for repeal of the law relating to the employment of teachers, was referred to the Committee on Education.

"Resolve authorizing the Adjutant General to sell the gun-house in Milo," was presented by Mr. BISHOP of Milo, read once and to-morrow assigned.

A message was received from the Senate, informing the House that in the absence of the President, Hon. Marquis DeLafayette Lane had been chosen President *pro tem*.

On motion of Mr. CARLETON of Whitefield,

Ordered, That the Governor is respectfully requested to transmit to this House for its information, the whole amount expended under an act for the promotion of Scandinavian immigration into this State, approved March 23, 1870, and also the whole amount appropriated for that purpose by the terms of said act.

A communication from the Treasurer of State transmitting sundry claims for allowance for bounties on wild animals, was received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. HUTCHINGS, from the Penobscot County Delegation, on "resolve abating State tax in part of the town of Veazie, and assessing the same upon the city of Bangor," reported ought not to pass.

The report was read, and referred to the next Legislature, on motion of Mr. WEED of Veazie.

Mr. BLISS, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported leave to withdraw on petition of John Appleton, for incorporation of the North Branch Piscataquis River Dam Company"; also

Reported same on petition of N. M. Hartwell and others, for authority to navigate Pushaw pond in Penobscot county.

Mr. LAMB, from the Committee on Legal Reform, reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to amendment of the law so as to allow a hearing to parties interested in laying out town ways.

Mr. CLEAVES, from the same Committee, reported reference to the next Legislature on bill "an act relating to rules of evidence."

Mr. COBB, from same Committee, reported ought not to pass on bill "an act to amend section 10, chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to the election of town officers."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. BLISS, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to increase the salary of the County Attorney of Lincoln county."

The report was read, and tabled by Mr. REED of Waldoborough.

Mr. COBB, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on petition of J. S. Hamilton, reported bill "an act to amend section 3, chapter 362, special laws of 1867, entitled an act additional to an act to establish the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts."

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice, and tabled by Mr. CARLETON of Whitefield.

Mr. CARLETON, from the Committee on Legal Reform, re-

ported ought to pass on bill "an act additional for the assessment and collection of taxes."

The report was read and accepted, and the bill ordered to be printed under joint rule.

Mr. MOORE, from the Committee on Fisheries, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize the construction of a fish weir in Eastern harbor."

Mr. CLEAVES, from the Committee on Legal Reform, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to change the name of the Cape Elizabeth Steam Ferry Company, and increase the capital stock thereof."

Printed bill "an act fixing the liability of stockholders in corporations."

Printed bill "an act relating to cost."

Printed bill "an act giving additional powers to the Railroad Commissioners."

Printed bill "an act to amend section 46, chapter 38 of the revised statutes, relating to the sale of milk."

Printed bill "an act fixing the salary of the State Superintendent of Schools."

Printed "resolves in relation to the valuation of certain towns and plantations in Aroostook county, and for the abatement of taxes thereon."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolves once, and to-morrow assigned.

Bill "an act additional to an act to establish the Stillwater Canal Corporation."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 338 of the public laws of 1870, relating to the throwing of sawdust and shavings into the Medomak river."

These bills were reported, read the third time, and laid on the table.

"Resolve in aid of the road leading from Monson to Greenville, in the County of Piscataquis," was reported, read the second time, and indefinitely postponed, on motion of Mr. CARLETON of Whitefield.

Bill "an act additional to an act to provide for more free navigation of Penobscot river," was read the third time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Bangor Masonic Fraternity," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Warren Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company"; and

Bill "an act to incorporate the Phillips Savings Bank."

These bills being on their passage to be enacted, were laid on the table, on motion of Mr. BURGESS of Portland.

Bill "an act to authorize the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad Company to construct wharves and piers into tide waters in Belfast, and to amend the charter of said company and for other purposes."

Bill "an act to set off a part of a small island from Alton and annex the same to the town of Oldtown."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of District No. 9 in the town of Burnham."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Cumberland County Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to amend section 47, chapter 27 of the revised statutes, concerning recognizances in appeals from magistrates."

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the St. John Agricultural Society."

Bill "an act concerning bills in equity."

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Rockland and Thomaston Gas Light Company."

Bill "an act to repeal sections 43 to 53, inclusive, of chapter 47 of the revised statutes, relating to bank returns."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 848 of private laws of 1870, conferring certain powers on the city of Portland."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Vassalborough Woollen Mills."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Ellsworth Boom Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Eureka Slate Company of Monson."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebec Ice Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Cumberland Air Power Company."

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Auburn Aqueduct Company."

worth, Wagg, Wall, Weed, White of Winterport, White of Greenfield, Whitmore, Wilson, Willard, Wyman—88.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Adams, Andrews of Palmyra, Atwell, Bird, Brewer, Buswell, Chapin, Clark of China, Colburn, Comins, Drisco, Hacker, Harriman, Haskell of Garland, Haskell of Portland, Hathaway, Heal, Hinkley, Hobson, Holt, Hutchins, Keegan, Lamb, Lord, Martin, Mayo, Mooers, Nutter, Parsons, Partridge, Reed of No. 11, Rodick, Simonton, Smith of Parsonsfield, Stickney, Thompson of Dover, Winter, Woodbury—38.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Branch Railroad Company," was taken from the table and assigned for to-morrow.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Medway Railway Company," was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to enable the city of Bangor to aid the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company in the extended construction of its railroad," was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Bill "an act for the extension of the Boston and Maine Railroad," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and the question being on passing the same to be engrossed, the House, on motion of Mr. SEWALL of Oldtown, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the act.

Mr. PIKE of Calais, was appointed Chairman, who subsequently reported the Committee had had the subject under consideration, also reported the bill back to the House without recommendation thereon.

The House resumed the consideration of the bill, and the question being on passing the same to be engrossed, Mr. COUSENS of Kennebunkport moved, and the House ordered, that it be taken

Bill "an act to amend an act to authorize a further extension of the Androscoggin Railroad, approved February 4, 1867."

Bill "an act to Nathan F. Houston to build a wharf into tide waters in Belfast."

Bill "an act to prevent the destruction of fish in Penamaquon river."

"Resolve in favor of Lewis Scott and John Bishop."

"Resolve in favor of Salmon Jones."

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to sell lot No. 129, in Township No. 5, Range 3, in the County of Aroostook."

"Resolve in favor of Zepheniah B. Starbird and others."

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to sell lot No. 143, in the plantation of Castle Hill, Aroostook county."

"Resolve in favor of Joseph A. Chambers."

"Resolve laying a tax on the several counties in the State."

The foregoing bills having had three and the resolves two several readings, and passed to be engrossed, were reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills passed to be enacted, resolves finally passed, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act in addition to the acts incorporating the European and North American Railway Company," was taken from the table and assigned for 3 o'clock this P. M.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 41 of the revised statutes of 1871, relating to fish and fisheries," was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed, by yeas 111, nays 21.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Anderson, Atwell, Berry of Buxton, Bean, Bird, Bishop, Blanchard, Blossom, Bliss, Bonney, Bradbury, Bragdon, Brewer, Brown, Burgess, Buswell, Carleton, Carver, Chase, Chapin, Clark of China, Clark of Lincoln, Cleaves, Clook, Colburn, Cousens, Crehore, Cushing, Deering, Dingley, Drisco, Dustin, Ellis, Emery, Ervin, Fish, Fitch, Foster, Getchell, Goodwin, Googins, Green of Wilton, Hacker, Hagar, Hammond, Harriman, Hathaway, Hayden, Heal, Hill, Hinkley, Hobart, Hobson, Hopkins of Mt. Vernon, Jenkins, Johnson, Jones of Springfield, Keegan, Knapp, Knight, Lamb, Lane, Mahony, Mayo, Minot, Moore of Buckfield, Osgood of Lewiston, Osgood of Durham, Parsons, Partridge, Patten, Perkins of Poland, Perkins of Farmington, Pike, Potter,

Rawson, Raynes, Reed of No. 11, Reynolds, Robie, Robinson, Rodick, Sanborn of Kittery, Sayward, Sewall, Severance, Simon-ton, Skillin, Smith of Parsonsfield, Snow, Snowman, Stackpole, Stickney, Storer, Stewart, Taber, Talbot, Taylor, Tebbets, Thompson of Dover, Wadsworth, Wagg, Wass, White of Winterport, White of Greenfield, Whiting, Wilson, Willard, Winter, Wood-bury, Wyman—111.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Andrews of Palmyra, Bartlett, Burnham, Comins, Cram, Green of Temple, Haskell of Portland, Hastings, Heath, Hodgdon, Holt, Hopkins of Bluehill, Hutchins, Jones of Norway, Moore of Machiasport, Palmer, Ray, Thompson of Trenton, Wall, Weed, Whitmore—21.

Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

"Resolve in favor of the town of Deering," was read twice under suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society," was taken from the table amended as per sheet "A," on motion of Mr. RAWSON of Bangor, and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act authorizing the European and North American Railway Company, to locate and construct branches in the towns through which it passes," special assignment for to-day, was taken from the table, amended as per sheets "A," "B" and "C," and passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Branch Railroad," was taken from the table, read the third time, and the question being on passing the same to be engrossed, on motion of Mr. WILSON of Thomaston, it was taken by yeas and nays, and declared in the affirmative, by yeas 61, nays 56.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams, Bean, Bishop, Blossom, Bliss, Bradbury, Bragdon, Brown, Burnham, Clark of China, Consens, Dingley, Drisco, Dustin, Ellis, Fish, Foster, Getchell, Goodwin, Googins, Green of Wilton, Green of Temple, Hacker, Harriman, Haskell of Garland, Hastings, Heath, Hill, Hodgdon, Hopkins of Bluehill, Jones of

Norway, Keegan, Knapp, Lane, Lord, Mayo, Nutter, Osgood of Lewiston, Osgood of Durham, Palmer, Parsons, Partridge, Perkins of Poland, Perkins of Farmington, Pike, Potter, Ray, Raynes, Reed of No. 11, Rodick, Sayward, Severance, Simonton, Skillin, Snow, Stackpole, Stewart, Taber, Wagg, White of Greenfield, Whiting—61.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Andrews of Palmyra, Anderson, Atwell, Bird, Blanchard, Bonney, Burgess, Carleton, Carver, Chase, Clark of Lincoln, Cleaves, Clook, Comins, Cram, Crehore, Cushing, Emery, Ervin, Gannett, Haskell of Portland, Hathaway, Hayden, Heal, Hinkley, Hobart, Hobson, Holt, Hopkins of Mt. Vernon, Hutchins, Jenkins, Johnson, Jones of Springfield, Knight, Lamb, Mahony, Minot, Moore of Machiasport, Rawson, Reed of Waldoborough, Robie, Robinson, Sanborn of Kittery, Sewall, Simpson, Snowman, Stickney, Talbot, Taylor, Thompson of Trenton, Wall, Wass, Weed, White of Winterport, Whitmore, Wilson—56.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Parker's Bay Ice Company," was taken from the table, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. MORSE of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Petition of Josiah Merrow and others of Bowdoinham, for change of the law relating to the smelt fishery, came from the Senate referred to the next Legislature, and was referred in concurrence.

Remonstrance of the inhabitants of Liberty against railroad consolidation ; also

Remonstrance of the Portland, Rutland, Oswego and Chicago Railway Company, against invasion of its rights, also various remonstrances in aid of the same, referred by the House to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, came back from the Senate referred to the next Legislature.

The House recessed and concurred.

“Resolve requesting our Senators and Representatives in Congress to make efforts for laws to retrieve wrongs and practices upon the Indians,” came back from the Senate referred to the next Legislature, and was tabled by Mr. SEWALL of Oldtown.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, reporting reference the next Legislature on order inquiring into the expediency of repealing all acts and resolves pledging the faith of the State to pay annually sums of money for the support of sectarian schools ; also

Reporting same on petition of inhabitants of Cherryfield, for an act authorizing said town to aid manufactures therein.

Report of the Oxford County Delegation, on order, reporting “resolve in favor of reducing the State valuation of the town of Buckfield ; also

Reporting, on petition, “resolve in favor of the correction of an error in the State valuation of the town of Oxford.”

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, resolves read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted, resolves read once and Tuesday assigned.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on order, reporting "resolve in favor of a system of storm warnings in the State of Maine."

Report of the Committee on Education, on Governor's Address, reporting "resolve relating to an Industrial School for Girls."

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on Governor's Address, reporting "resolve in favor of the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting ought to pass on bill "an act to promote immigration into the State."

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on the recommendation of the Fish Commissioner, reporting bill "an act to establish the right to fish in small ponds."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reporting bill "an act to amend section 9, chapter 60 of the revised statutes, relating to divorce."

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on recommitted bill "an act to incorporate the Somerset Boom Company," reporting ought to pass in a new draft.

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills and resolves read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolves once, and Monday assigned.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to increase the fees of constables for service and return of venire," reporting the same ought to pass in a new draft, came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, amended as per sheet "A," and indefinitely postponed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, bill read twice, Senate amendment adopted, and indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Bill "an act requiring blanks to be furnished to trial justices by the several counties," indefinitely postponed by the House, came from the Senate, that branch insisting on its former vote passing the same to be engrossed.

The House adhered, on motion of Mr. BONNEY of Portland.

Final report of the Committee on Claims, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and laid on the table.

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting ought to pass in a new draft, on bill "an act to amend section 38, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the location of school-houses, came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, amended as per sheet "A," and indefinitely postponed.

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice, and indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

"Resolve abating State tax in part of the town of Veazie and assessing the same on the city of Bangor," referred by the House to the next Legislature, came from the Senate, that branch accepting the report of ought not to pass.

The House, on motion of Mr. WEED of Veazie, adhered to its former vote.

Bill "an act authorizing jailors to administer oaths to poor debtors and poor prisoners," passed to be enacted by the House, came back from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

The House receded and concurred in indefinite postponement, on motion of Mr. WILSON of Thomaston.

Remonstrance of Walter Cary and others; J. D. Donnell and others,—against invasion of the rights of the Portland, Rutland, Oswego and Chicago Railroad Company;

Were referred to the next Legislature.

Mr. BIRD, from the Committee on Change of Names, on petition of A. C. Peavy, for authority to adopt Willie A. Ames, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. BLOSSOM, from the same Committee, reported same on petition of Otis Pugsley, for change of name of himself and family.

The reports were read and accepted.

On motion of Mr. CLOOK of Topsfield,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be requested to furnish Vanceboro' plantation, organized the present year, with such books as are usually furnished plantations.

Mr. HEATH, from the Committee on Legal Reform, reported

ought not to pass on bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Milo."

The report was read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. HOBART, from the Washington County Delegation, on petition, reported "resolve changing the valuation of towns and plantations in Washington county."

The report was read and accepted, resolve read twice, rules being suspended, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. BEAN, from the Committee on Change of Names, on various petitions, reported bill "an act to change the names of certain persons."

Mr. RODICK, from the Committee on Fisheries, reported ought to pass on recommitted bill "an act to authorize a fish weir in Cranberry Isles."

Printed bill "an act to transfer prisoners from one county jail to another."

Printed bill "an act amendatory of section 27, chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to taxes."

Printed bill "an act amendatory of section 14, chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to the assessment of taxes."

Printed "resolve providing for an amendment of the Constitution so as to authorize the Legislature to call a Constitutional Convention."

The reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolve once, and Monday assigned.

Mr. HACKER, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition, reported "resolve in favor of the county of Aroostook."

The report was read and accepted, resolve read once, and Wednesday next assigned.

Printed bill "an act additional to chapter 140 of the revised statutes, relating to the State Prison."

Printed "resolve in favor of the State Prison."

Printed bill "an act to amend chapter 16 of the revised statutes, relating to drains and sewers."

The foregoing bills were read twice, resolve once, and Tuesday next assigned.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Co-operative Store and Loan Company," was taken from the table and assigned for Tuesday next.

Bill "an act to repeal an act creating a State Liquor Commissioner," was taken from the table, the question being on passing the same to be engrossed, pending which, the House Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

The SPEAKER being absent, the House was called to order by the Clerk.

On motion of Mr. HARRIMAN of Belfast,

Ordered, That in the absence of the Speaker, Percival Bonney, Esq., be and hereby is appointed Speaker *pro tempore*.

On motion of Mr. CARLETON of Whitefield, the Clerk was charged with a message to the Senate, also to the Governor and Council, informing them that in the absence of the Speaker, Percival Bonney, Esq., had been appointed Speaker *pro tempore*.

The House resumed consideration of bill to repeal "an act creating a State Liquor Commissioner," and the same was tabled, and Tuesday next assigned.

Bill "an act to authorize the city of Belfast to purchase the first mortgage bonds of the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad Company and for other purposes," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, Senate amendment "A" adopted, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. HOBART, from the Committee on Finance, to which was referred certain claims of towns for bounties on wild animals, reported reference to the Governor and Council.

The report was read and accepted and sent to the Governor.

Mr. ROBIE, from the Committee on Military Affairs, on order, reported "resolve in favor of the Bath Naval and Military Orphan Asylum."

The resolve was read once and ordered to be printed, and Tuesday next assigned.

Bill "an act to establish the school mill fund for support of common schools."

Bill "an act to amend section 54, clause 3 of the school laws, in relation to the powers and duties of the Superintending School Committees."

Bill "an act in aid of free high schools."

These printed bills were read twice and Monday assigned.

Bill "an act to incorporate the York Brick Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Saco Water Supply Company."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Burlington."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Orono Horticultural Society."

"Resolve in favor of Parker P. Burleigh."

"Resolve providing for the payment of the expenses of Committee on Military Affairs."

"Resolve in favor of the inhabitants of Riley plantation in the County of Aroostook."

"Resolve directing the Superintendent of Common Schools to ascertain what school moneys may be due to the State."

"Resolve in favor of D. R. Stockwell and George S. Chalmers."

"Resolve in relation to the binding of the acts and resolves of this State."

The foregoing bills and resolves were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, bills read the third, resolves the second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to authorize the construction of a fish weir in Eastern harbor."

Bill "an act fixing the liability of stockholders in corporations."

Bill "an act relating to costs."

Bill "an act to change the name of the Cape Elizabeth Steam Ferry Company, and increase the capital stock thereof."

Bill "an act to amend section 46, chapter 38 of the revised statutes, relating to the sale of milk."

Bill "an act giving additional powers to the railroad commissioners."

"Resolve in favor of John H. Eveleth."

"Resolve authorizing the Adjutant General to sell a gun house in the town of Milo."

The foregoing bills and resolves were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, bills read the third, resolves the second time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act fixing the salary of the State Superintendent of Common Schools," was reported, read the third time, and indefinitely postponed, on motion of Mr. COBB of Windham, by yeas 84, nays 20.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Andrews of Palmyra, Anderson, Bartlett, Berry of Damariscotta, Bean, Bishop, Blanchard, Bradbury, Bragdon, Brewer, Brown, Carleton, Carver, Chapin, Clark of China, Clark of Lincoln, Clock, Cobb, Colburn, Comins, Cousens, Cram, Cushing, Drisco, Dustin, Ellis, Erwin, Fish, Fitch, Foster, Getchell, Googins, Green of Wilton, Green of Temple, Hacker, Hammond, Haskell of Garland, Hastings, Hayden, Heal, Hill, Hinkley, Hodgdon, Hopkins of Bluehill, Hopkins of Mt. Vernon, Hutchins, Jenkins, Jones of Springfield, Knapp, Lane, Martin, Mayo, Mooers, Moore of Buckfield, Moore of Machiasport, Nutter, Parsons, Partridge, Perkins of Poland, Pike, Raynes, Reed of Waldoboro', Reed of No. 11, Reynolds, Rodick, Sanborn of Kittery, Sayward, Severance, Simpson, Smith of Parsonsfield, Snowman, Stackpole, Taylor, Tebbets, Wagg, Wall, Wass, White of Winterport, White of Greenfield, Whitmore, Wilson, Willard, Woodbury, Wyman—84.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Atwell, Bird, Bonney, Burgess, Chase, Cleaves, Haskell of Portland, Hathaway, Hobart, Holt, Keegan, Osgood of Lewiston, Osgood of Durham, Simonton, Skillin, Snow, Stickney, Talbot, Thompson of Dover, Whiting—20.

"Resolve in favor of the settlers in township No. 11, R. 3, west east line of the State."

"Resolve making an appropriation for the State Library."

"Resolve in favor of the town of Kingsbury, in aid of repairing road in said town."

The foregoing resolves were reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading, read the second time, and indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Portland and Rutland Railroad Company," was taken from the table, on motion

of Mr. CLEAVES of Portland, ordered to be printed, and Tuesday, at 3 o'clock, assigned.

Bill "an act relative to the inspection of herring," was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. HOBART of Dennysville, and Monday, at 3 o'clock, assigned.

Bill "an act to authorize the formation of railroads corporations," was assigned for Monday, at 11 o'clock, on motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

No chaplain present.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on petition, reporting bill "an act to legalize the doings of the town of Grafton."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reporting bill "an act to amend chapter 48 of the revised statutes, relating to manufacturing, mining and quarrying companies."

Report of the same Committee, on order, reporting bill "an act to amend chapter 124 of the revised statutes, relating to polygamy."

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on order, reporting bill "an act to increase the number of Commissioners of Fisheries."

Report of the Committee on Claims, reporting ought to pass on "resolve in favor of the widow of the late Major General Hiram G. Berry of Rockland."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills and resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned.

Report of the Committee on Education, on petitions and remonstrances, reporting bill "an act additional to section 54, chapter 11

of the revised statutes, relating to the employment of teachers."

This report came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading.

Bill "an act to amend sections 58 and 59 of chapter 40 of the revised statutes, relating to the taking of smelts," indefinitely postponed by the House, came back from the Senate passed to be engrossed.

The House receded, and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve for an appropriation on a road in Castle Hill plantation," indefinitely postponed in the House, came back from the Senate passed to be engrossed.

Laid on the table, on motion of Mr. WILSON of Thomaston.

Report of the Committee on Printing and Binding, reporting a contract made with Messrs. Sprague, Owen and Nash, for doing the State printing for the current year, came from the Senate read and accepted, and the contract approved.

The report was read and accepted, and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. REED of Waldoborough.

Mr. DRISCO of Machias, was excused from further attendance, and the Committee on Pay Roll directed to make up his pay to the end of the session.

On motion of Mr. HASKELL of Portland.

Ordered, The Senate concurring, in case the Senate fails from any cause to print the report and accompanying documents of the Commissioners of Paper Credits, the Governor and Council be and are hereby authorized and directed to secure said report and all the accompanying documents, and cause 3,000 copies of the same to be printed for general distribution.

This order was read, and laid on the table by Mr. WILSON of Thomaston.

On motion of Mr. WILSON of Thomaston,

Ordered, That the Governor be requested to furnish for the information of the House, a copy of the report of the Land Agent

dated June 30, 1870, on order of the Governor and Council dated November 29, 1869.

"Resolve fixing the place for the meeting of the next Legislature of this State," was presented by Mr. WILSON of Thomaston, read once and laid on the table.

Mr. CRAM, from the Committee on State Printing and Binding, on order, reported "resolve fixing the number of copies of certain reports to be printed at the expense of the State."

Mr. KNAPP, from the Committee on Legal Reform, reported ought to pass on bill "an act relating to the powers and duties of the constable of the town of Whitefield."

The reports were read and accepted, bill read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bill and second reading of the resolve.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Somerset Boom Company."

Bill "an act to promote immigration into this State."

"Resolve in favor of a system of storm warnings in the State of Maine."

These bills and resolve were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the bills read the third time, resolve twice, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to establish the right to fish in small ponds," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, amended as per sheet "A," and indefinitely postponed on motion of Mr. COUSENS of Kennebunkport.

"Resolve providing for an amendment of the Constitution so as to authorize the Legislature to call a Constitutional Convention," was reported, read the second time, amended as per sheet "A," and indefinitely postponed.

Bill "an act to amend section 9 of chapter 60 of the revised statutes, relating to divorce," was reported, read the third time, and laid on the table by Mr. WILSON of Thomaston.

"Resolve in favor of the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the second time, amended as per sheet "A," and the question being on passing the same to be engrossed, Mr.

CARLETON of Whitefield, moved its indefinite postponement. Mr. WILSON of Thomaston, moved that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the House refused to postpone by yeas 58, nays 61.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Andrews of Palmyra, Anderson, Berry of Damariscotta, Berry of Buxton, Blanchard, Bradbury, Bragdon, Brown, Buswell, Carleton, Carver, Clark of China, Clock, Cobb, Colburn, Cushing, Ellis, Emery, Ervin, Fish, Getchell, Googins, Green of Temple, Hacker, Hastings, Hayden, Heath, Hill, Hobart, Hodgdon, Hopkins of Bluehill, Jenkins, Keegan, Knight, Martin, Moores, Moore of Machiasport, Pike, Reed of No. 11, Reynolds, Bayward, Severance, Skiffin, Smith of Parsonsfield, Snowman, Stewart, Taber, Talbot, Taylor, Tebbets, Thompson of Trenton, Wagg, Wass, White of Greenfield, Whiting, Whitmore, Wilson, Wyman—58.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Atwell, Bartlett, Bean, Bird, Bishop, Bliss, Bonney, Brewer, Burgess, Chase, Chapin, Clark of Lincoln, Cleaves, Comins, Cousens, Cram, Deering, Drisco, Dustin, Fitch, Foster, Gannett, Green of Wilton, Hammond, Harriman, Haskell of Garland, Haskell of Portland, Hathaway, Heal, Hinkley, Holt, Hutchins, Jones of Norway, Jones of Springfield, Lane, Mayo, Moore of Buckfield, Nutter, Osgood of Lewiston, Osgood of Durham, Palmer, Parsons, Partridge, Perkins of Poland, Potter, Rawson, Ray, Reed of Waldoborough, Robie, Robinson, Rodick, Sanborn of Kittery, Sewall, Simonton, Snow, Stickney, Thompson of Dover, Wadsworth, White of Winterport, Willard, Woodbury—61.

The resolve was then passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act additional to an act to provide for a more free navigation of the Penobscot river."

Bill "an act to enable the city of Bangor to aid the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company in the extended construction of its railroad."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 48 of the revised statutes of 1871, relating to river fisheries."

Bill "an act to prevent obstructions in Union river."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Mechanics' Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Galois Tug Boat Company."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 40 of the revised statutes of 1871, relating to fish and fisheries."

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Warren Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Damariscotta Water Power Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Parker's Bay Ice Company."

Bill "an act relating to the administration of oaths and acknowledgment of deeds and other papers."

Bill "an act to authorize Edward L. Whittier and others to extend their wharf into tide waters in Belfast."

Bill "an act amendatory of chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to railroads."

Bill "an act authorizing Darius Wellington to construct and maintain a fish weir in Haycock harbor."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Oldtown Water Power and Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse material into the river St. Croix and its tributaries."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Medway Railway Company."

Bill "an act defining the notice on petitions for assessment of damages for lands taken by railroad corporations."

Bill "an act to incorporate the East Branch Dam and Improvement Company."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 230, special laws of 1854, entitled an act to prevent obstructions in Narraguagus river."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Pemaquid Ice Company."

Bill "an act to authorize the city of Belfast to purchase the first mortgage bonds of the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad Company, and for other purposes."

Bill "an act to authorize the city of Bangor to aid the Bangor Mercantile Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Bangor Masonic Fraternity."

"Resolve relating to the military stores at Portland."

"Resolve authorizing the Attorney General to institute certain legal proceedings."

"Resolve amending the State valuation and abating State tax on township No. 6, Range 5, Aroostock county."

"Resolve relating to the preservation of the colors in the rotunda of the capitol."

"Resolve in relation to lands in the towns of Madawaska and Frenchville, and the plantations of St. John, St. Francis and Wallagrass."

"Resolve in favor of David Dudley."

"Resolve in favor of the heirs of the late Captain Lewey."

"Resolve in favor of Prentiss M. Fogler."

"Resolve in aid of a road through township Letter F, Aroostook county."

"Resolve changing the valuation of towns and plantations in Washington county."

The foregoing bills having had three and the resolves two several readings, and passed to be engrossed, were reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills passed to be enacted, resolves finally passed, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Bill "an act regulating meetings of cities and towns in aid of persons and corporations."

Bill "an act regulating railroad corporations."

Bill "an act additional for the assessment and collection of taxes."

"Resolve in favor of the Bath Naval and Military Orphan Asylum."

These printed bills were read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned.

On motion of Mr. CRAM of Brunswick, the vote passing to be engrossed "resolve in favor of the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts," was reconsidered.

The same gentleman then moved its indefinite postponement, and that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the House refused to indefinitely postpone, by yeas 59, nays 60.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Andrews of Palmyra, Anderson, Berry of Damariscotta,

Berry of Buxton, Blanchard, Bradbury, Bragdon, Brown, Carleton, Clark of China, Clook, Cobb, Colburn, Cram, Cushing, Ellis, Emery, Ervin, Fish, Fitch, Getchell, Googins, Green of Temple, Hacker, Hastings, Hayden, Heath, Hill, Hinkley, Hobart, Hodgdon, Hopkins of Bluehill, Jenkins, Knight, Mahony, Martin, Mooers, Moore of Buckfield, Moore of Machiasport, Pike, Rawson, Reynolds, Sayward, Severance, Simpson, Skillin, Smith of Parsonsfield, Snowman, Storer, Taber, Talbot, Taylor, Tebbets, Wagg, Wass, White of Greenfield, Whiting, Wilson, Wyman—59.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Atwell, Bartlett, Bean, Bird, Bishop, Bonney, Brewer, Burgess, Buswell, Carver, Chase, Chapin, Clark of Lincoln, Cleaves, Comins, Cousens, Deering, Drisco, Dustin, Foster, Gannett, Green of Wilton, Hammond, Harriman, Haskell of Garland, Haskell of Portland, Hathaway, Heal, Hobson, Holt, Hutchins, Jones of Norway, Jones of Springfield, Keegan, Lane, Mayo, Nutter, Osgood of Lewiston, Osgood of Durham, Palmer, Parsons, Perkins of Poland, Potter, Ray, Raynes, Reed of Waldoborough, Reed of No. 11, Robie, Robinson, Rodick, Sanborn of Kittery, Sewall, Snow, Stickney, Thompson of Dover, Thompson of Trenton, White of Winterport, Whitmore, Willard, Woodbury—60.

The resolve was then passed to be engrossed, being amended as per sheet "A," and sent to the Senate.

The following communication was received from the Governor, in response to an order of the House, read, and laid on the table :

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
Augusta, February 20, 1871. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

In response to the order of the House of Representatives, requesting the Governor to transmit to the House the amount expended under an act for the promotion of Scandinavian Immigration, approved March 23d, 1870, and the amount appropriated for that purpose, I have the honor to transmit herewith a copy of the statement of the expenditures made by the Board of Immigration. The amount appropriated by the act of March 23d, 1870, is \$4,500.

SIDNEY PERHAM.

Expense of the Board of Immigration for the year 1870.
Salary and entire expense of Commissioner of Immigration in Sweden and Maine..... \$3,000 00

Printing documents and distributing same in Sweden..	\$500 00
Total expense of Commissioner.	3,500 00
Provisions and tools furnished colonists and to be paid for by them in labor at \$1 per day.	4,000 00
Expense of erecting 28 houses on State land and still owned by the State, at \$125 each.	3,250 00
Expense of 25 stoves for the houses.	554 63
Erecting a store-house on State land, and owned by the State.	2,000 00
Goods on hand in store-house.	1,000 00
Felling 125 acres of trees.	781 25
Opening roads and incidental expenses.	538 86
Total expense besides Commissioner.	\$12,124 74

It will be observed that of the above sum of \$12,124.74, there is to be reimbursed by the colonists \$4,000, and that the title to the property represented by the remaining sum, \$8,124.74, is in the State for a term of five years, and \$3,000 is absolutely in the State, being the store-house and goods in the same.

Bill "an act to authorize Henry McGilvery to extend and maintain his wharf in tide waters in the city of Belfast," was presented by Mr. HARRIMAN of Belfast, read three times, and passed to be engrossed under suspension of the rules, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act relating to transfer of prisoners from one county jail to another."

Bill "an act to authorize a fish weir in Cranberry Isle."

The foregoing bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act amendatory of section 27 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to taxes."

Bill "an act amendatory of section 14, chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to the assessment of taxes."

The foregoing were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and laid on the table.

Bill "an act authorizing the formation of railroad corporations," was taken from the table, and amendments "A" and "B" adopted.

The bill was further amended as per sheet "O," and passed to be engrossed, by yeas 69, nays 50.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Anderson, Atwell, Bean, Blanchard, Bradbury, Bragdon, Chase, Cleaves, Clock, Cobb, Colburn, Gossens, Deering, Drisco, Dustin, Fish, Foster, Getchell, Goughs, Green of Wilton, Haskell of Garland, Haskell of Portland, Hastings, Hathaway, Hayden, Heath, Hill, Hobart, Hodgdon, Holt, Hopkins of Bluehill, Jenkins, Jones of Springfield, Knapp, Lane, Martin, Moore of Buckfield, Moore of Machiasport, Nutter, Osgood of Lewiston, Osgood of Durham, Parsons, Partridge, Pike, Potter, Rawson, Ray, Raynes, Reed of Waldoboro', Reynolds, Robie, Robinson, Rodiek, Sayward, Sewall, Simpson, Snowman, Stackpole, Stewart, Taber, Tebbetts, Thompson of Trenton, Wadsworth, Wass, Whitmore, White of Greenfield, Whiting, Wilson, Woodbury, Wyman—69.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Andrews of Palmyra, Bird, Bishop, Bliss, Bonney, Brewer, Brown, Burgess, Buswell, Carleton, Carver, Chapin, Clark of China, Clark of Lincoln, Comins, Cram, Cushing, Ellis, Emery, Erwin, Fitch, Gunnett, Green of Temple, Hacker, Hammond, Harriman, Hinkley, Hobson, Hopkins of Mt. Vernon, Hutchins, Jones of Norway, Keegan, Knight, Mahony, Mays, Mooers, Perkins of Poland, Reed of No. 11, Sanborn of Kittery, Severance, Skillin, Smith of Parsonsfield, Stickney, Storer, Talbot, Taylor, Thompson of Dover, White of Winterport, Willard, Winter—50.

On motion of Mr. ROBIE of Gorham,

Ordered, That when the House adjourns, it be to meet at half-past seven o'clock this evening.

Adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Bill "an act to change the names of certain persons," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve relating to an Industrial School for Girls," was reported, read the second time, amended as per sheet "A," on motion of Mr. RAWSON, and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Northern Aroostook Railroad Company," was assigned for to-morrow.

Bill "an act to incorporate a fire department in West Waterville village," was taken from the table, amendment "A" adopted, and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 838 of the public laws of 1870, relating to the throwing of sawdust and shavings into the Medomak river," was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the East Oxford Agricultural Society," was taken up, amendment "A" adopted, and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act to authorize the County Commissioners of Kennebec county to appropriate money to rebuild or repair a bridge over the Sebasticook river in Clinton Gore," was taken up, amended as per sheet "A" on motion of Mr. HOPKINS of Mt. Vernon, and passed to be engrossed.

"Resolve requesting our Senators and Representatives in Congress to make efforts for laws to retrieve wrongs practiced upon the Indians," was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act to authorize Thomas Taylor to employ and use steam power to transport passengers and freight in the towns of Farmington, New Sharon, Phillips and other places," was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act in relation to conveyances," was taken from the table, amended as per sheets "A," "B" and "C," and indefinitely postponed.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Poland and Minot Mutual Fire Insurance Company," was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act to authorize the taking by towns of eligible sites for the erection of soldiers' monuments thereon," was indefinitely postponed.

Bill "an act to authorize railroad corporations to take lands for burrow and gravel pits," was read the third time and passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Limington,

Ordered, That on and after Wednesday the House shall meet at 9 o'clock A. M. and 2½ o'clock P. M. until otherwise ordered.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. HERRIN of Gardiner.

The reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

Papers from the Senate :

Final report of the Committee on Legal Reform, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and laid on the table.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, reporting reference to the next Legislature on petition of John E. Godfrey for a Superior Court for Penobscot county."

Report of the Committee on Immigration, on order, reporting bill "an act to promote immigration and facilitate the settlement of the public lands."

Report of the Committee on Education, on bill "an act to legalize the doings of the town of Madawaska," reporting bill "an act to continue in force an act to establish schools in the Madawaska district," and that the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Insane Hospital, on recommendation of the Trustees, reporting "resolve in aid of the erection of a chapel building for the Insane Hospital."

Report of the Committee on Federal Relations, reporting ought to pass on "resolve in favor of Mrs. Isabella Fogg."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 71 of the revised statutes, relating to sales of real estate by license."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 78 of the revised statutes, relating to meetings of County Commissioners in Aroostook county."

The foregoing reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills and resolves read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, resolves once, and to-morrow assigned.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on order, reporting bill "an act relating to fencing railroads."

The report came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, and postponed indefinitely.

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned.

"Resolve in favor of making an appropriation for the State Library," indefinitely postponed by the House, came from the Senate, that branch insisting on its vote passing the same to be engrossed, and proposing a Committee of Conference, with Messrs. French of Franklin, Vose of Waldo, and Carvill of Cumberland, appointed Conferees on its part:

The House concurred in the proposition for a Conference, and Messrs. Sewall of Oldtown, Cobb of Windham, and Snow of Winthrop, were appointed Conferees on the part of the House.

"Resolve in favor of the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts," amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate, the amendment rejected, and a Committee of Conference proposed, with Messrs. Perley of Cumberland, Vose of Waldo, and Hinks of Hancock, appointed Conferees.

The House concurred in the proposed Conference, and the Speaker appointed Messrs. Atwell of Orono, Cousens of Kennebunkport, and Gram of Brunswick, Conferees.

"Resolve relating to the preservation of the colors in the rotunda of the capitol," finally passed by the House, came from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded and concurred in amendment "A," and passed the resolve to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Joint Special Committee to which was referred order of the Legislature, to arrange Councillor Districts for the ten years ending 1882, and to make the assignments to each county, reporting the following districts:

The counties of York and Oxford, to constitute the first district.

The county of Cumberland, to constitute the second district.

The counties of Androscoggin, Sagadahoc and Hancock, to constitute the third district.

The counties of Kennebec and Somerset, to constitute the fourth district.

The counties of Lincoln, Waldo and Knox, to constitute the fifth district.

The counties of Penobscot and Piscataquis, to constitute the sixth district.

The counties of Washington, Aroostook and Franklin, to constitute the seventh district.

Under this arrangement Councillors will be apportioned as follows:

York—1874, 1875, 1876, 1879, 1880, 1881.

Oxford—1872, 1873, 1877, 1878.

Cumberland—Each year.

Androscoggin—1872, 1873, 1878, 1879.

Sagadahoc—1876, 1877.

Hancock—1874, 1875, 1880, 1881.

Kennebec—1872, 1873, 1876, 1877, 1880, 1881.

Somerset—1874, 1875, 1878, 1879.

Lincoln—1872, 1877, 1878.

Waldo—1873, 1874, 1880, 1881.

Knox—1875, 1876, 1879.

Penobscot—1872, 1875, 1876, 1877, 1878, 1879, 1880, 1881.

Piscataquis—1873, 1874.

Washington—1873, 1874, 1878, 1880, 1881.

Aroostook—1872, 1877, 1879.

Franklin—1875, 1876.

This report came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on order, reporting bill "an act to establish a January term of the Supreme Judicial Court in and for the county of Lincoln," came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted, bill read three times, rules being suspended, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. REED of Waldoborough.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reporting bill "an act to authorize the extension of the Somerset

Railroad to Bingham village and for the completion of the same to Carratunk Falls," came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, and referred to the next Legislature.

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice, and laid on the table by Mr. DINGLEY.

Bill "an act to prevent the throwing of edgings, &c., into the waters of Damariscotta river in Nobleborough and Newcastle," came from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed, and was read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act relating to the administration of oaths and the acknowledgment of deeds and other papers," passed to be enacted by the House, came from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

The House insisted and proposed a Committee of Conference. The SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Carleton of Whitefield, Bliss of Washington, and White of Greenfield, conferees.

"Resolve authorizing the Attorney General to adjust certain claims in favor of the State," was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Remonstrance of A. N. Milliken, against railroad consolidation; and

Remonstrances of J. T. McCobb and V. C. Hanson of Portland, against invasion of the rights of the Portland, Rutland, Oswego and Chicago Railroad Company;

Were referred to the next Legislature.

Mr. BLISS presented bill "an act to increase the salary of the County Attorney of Lincoln county."

"Resolve establishing the valuation of the towns of Westbrook and Deering," was read twice, and tabled on motion of Mr. CLEAVES of Portland.

Mr. GREEN, from the Franklin County Delegation, on petition, reported a "resolve in favor of Perkin's plantation."

The report was read and accepted, resolve read once, and tomorrow assigned.

"Resolve in favor of reducing the State valuation of the town of Buckfield," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the

Third Reading, read the second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Warren Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Lewiston School for Medical Instruction."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Phillips Savings Bank."

The foregoing bills were taken from the table, passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Saco Water Supply Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the York Brick Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Orono Horticultural Society."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Burlington."

Bill "an act amendatory of an act to incorporate the Phillips Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Bill "an act amendatory of chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to the issue of bonds by railroad corporations."

"Resolve providing for the payment of the expenses of the Committee on Military Affairs."

"Resolve in favor of D. B. Stockwell and George S. Chalmers."

"Resolve directing the Superintendent of Common Schools to ascertain what school money may be due the State."

"Resolve in favor of Parker P. Burleigh."

"Resolve in relation to the binding of the acts and resolves of this State."

"Resolve in favor of the inhabitants of Riley plantation in the county of Oxford."

The foregoing bills having had three and the resolves two several readings and passed to be engrossed, were reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills passed to be enacted, resolves finally passed, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act additional to an act to establish the Stillwater Canal Corporation"; and

Bill "an act relative to inspection of herring," were taken from the table, each amended as per sheet "A" and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act amendatory of section 27, chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to taxes"; and

Bill "an act amendatory of section 14, chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to the assessment of taxes," were taken from the table and indefinitely postponed.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend section 54, item 2 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the branches taught in public schools," was taken from the table.

Mr. CARLETON of Whitefield, moved its indefinite postponement, and pending this motion the House Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

A message was received from the Senate informing the House that in the absence of the President, Hon. Reuben Foster had been chosen President *pro tempore*; also

Requesting the House to return to that branch bill "an act to authorize the extension of the Somerset Railroad," and the bill was returned.

Mr. WHITE, from the Committee on Military Affairs, on petition, reported "resolve in aid of the Children's Home in Bangor."

The report was read and accepted, resolve read once and tomorrow assigned.

The House resumed consideration of bill "an act to amend section 54, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the branches taught in public schools."

Mr. CARLETON, by unanimous consent, withdrew his motion to indefinitely postpone.

The bill was then amended as per sheet "A," and the question being on passing the same to be engrossed, it was so taken, and refused a passage and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 48 of the revised statutes, relating to manufacturing, mining and quarrying companies."

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of the town of Grafton."

"Resolve in favor of the town of Princeton."

The foregoing bills and resolve were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, bills read the third, resolve the second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act relating to the powers and duties of the constable of the town of Whitefield," was reported, read the third time and laid on the table.

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Portland and Rutland Railroad Company," was taken from the table, amended as per sheet "A" on motion of Mr. SMITH of Parsonsfield, and indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend section 10, chapter 26 of the revised statutes, relating to forms of actions," was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to repeal an act creating a State Liquor Commissioner," was taken from the table, the question being on passing the same to be engrossed, Mr. WILSON of Thomaston moved, and the House ordered, that it be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken was refused a passage, by yeas 55, nays 63.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Andrews of Palmyra, Berry of Damariscotta, Bishop, Blanchard, Blossom, Bradbury, Bragdon, Buswell, Carleton, Carver, Chapin, Clark of Lincoln, Cleaves, Clook, Cushing, Dingley, Drisco, Fitch, Green of Temple, Haskell of Garland, Haskell of Portland, Hastings, Heath, Hinkley, Jenkins, Jones of Springfield, Knapp, Lane, Mahony, Moore of Machiasport, Osgood of Lewiston, Parsons, Partridge, Pike, Rawson, Raynes, Reed of Waldoboro, Reed of No. 11, Sanborn of Bangor, Sayward, Sewall, Severance, Snow, Snowman, Storer, Strickland, Taber, Talbot, Tebbets, Wadsworth, Wagg, Wass, Whitehouse, Weed, Wilson—55.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Andrews of Otisfield, Anderson, Bartlett, Bean, Bird, Bonney, Brewer, Brown, Burgess, Colburn, Comins, Cram, Crehore, Deering, Ellis, Fish, Foster, Gannett, Getchell, Green of Wilton, Hacker, Hammond, Harriman, Hathaway, Hayden, Heal, Hobart, Holt, Hopkins of Bluehill, Hopkins of Mt. Vernon, Jones of Norway, Keegan, Knight, Lord, Martin, Mayo, Minot, Mooers, Moore of Buckfield, Nutter, Osgood of Durham, Perkins of Poland, Ray, Robie, Robinson, Simonton, Simpson, Skillin, Smith, of

Parsonsfield, Stackpole, Stickney, Stewart, Taylor, Thompson of Dover, Thompson of Trenton, Wall, White of Winterport, White of Greenfield, Whiting, Whitmore, Willard, Woodbury, Wyman—63.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. PENNEY of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate :

Communication of the Governor transmitting a statement of the expenses attending the immigration of Swedes into Aroostook county, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Immigration, and was referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of the Selectmen of Pittsfield, for an act to make valid the doings of said town, reporting leave to withdraw, came from the Senate read, amended by substituting the minority report of the Committee, reporting bill "an act to authorize the town of Pittsfield to loan its credit in aid of manufactures therein," and accepted, bill read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read, and amended in concurrence, bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Jay Boom Company," passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate indefinitely postponed, and the House receded and concurred.

"Resolves providing for an amendment of the Constitution, so as to authorize the Legislature to call a Constitutional Convention," amended as per sheet "A" by the House, and indefinitely postponed, came back from the Senate, amendment "A" amended as per sheet "B," and passed to be engrossed.

Laid on the table.

"Resolve relating to an Industrial School for Girls," amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate, amendment "A" rejected, amended as per sheet "B," and passed to be engrossed.

Pending amendment "B" laid on the table by Mr. WILSON of Thomaston.

Bill "an act to incorporate a fire department in West Waterville village," amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate, that branch insisting on its former vote passing the same to be engrossed, and proposing a Committee of Conference, with Messrs. Foster of Kennebec, Cleaves of Oxford, and Lane of Cumberland, appointed conferees on its part.

The House insisted, concurred in the proposition for a conference, and appointed Messrs. Heath of Waterville, Atwell of Orono, and Bragdon of York.

Report of the Committee on Insane Hospital, reporting bill "an act additional to chapter 145 of the revised statutes, relating to the Insane Hospital, came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted, bill read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Insane Hospital, on the report of the Trustees, reporting "resolve in favor of the Insane Hospital."

Report of the Committee on Education, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Common Schools, reporting bill "an act relating to certain literary institutions."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bill and resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted, bill read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned.

Bill "an act authorizing any railroad company to locate and construct branches in the towns through which it passes," amended as per sheets "A," "B" and "C," and passed to be engrossed, came from the Senate further amended as per sheet "D," and passed to be engrossed.

The amendment was adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Claims, on petition of the Selectmen of Houlton, for reimbursement of money paid into the State Treasury in 1864 to fill the quota of said town, reporting reference to the next Legislature, and accepted by the House, came from the Senate amended, by referring the petition to the Adjutant General, with the request to report the facts to the next Legislature.

The report was laid on the table.

Bill "an act to authorize the extension of the Somerset Railroad to Bingham village, and for the completion of the same to Carraunk Falls," came from the Senate read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The bill was read three times, rules being suspended, and laid on the table by Mr. HEATH of Waterville.

Bill "an act to amend section 46 of chapter 38 of the revised statutes, relating to the sale of milk," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

Laid on the table by Mr. WILSON of Thomaston.

"Resolve in favor of the settlers in township No. 11, Range 3, west east line of the State"; and

"Resolve in favor of the town of Kingsbury, in aid of repairing road in said town," indefinitely postponed in the House, came from the Senate passed to be engrossed.

The House adhered to its vote.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 388 of the public laws of 1870, relating to the throwing of sawdust and shavings into the Medomak river," passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate indefinitely postponed. •

The House receded, and indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee of Conference on "resolve making an appropriation for the State Library," reporting that the House recede and concur in passing the same to be engrossed, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and accepted and the resolve passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate requesting the return to the House of bill "an act in relation to the inspection of smoked herring."

The bill was subsequently returned.

Bill "an act authorizing the sale of copartnership property when a partner has deceased;" was presented by Mr. SANBORN of Bangor; read twice, and laid on the table by Mr. HARRIMAN of Belfast.

Mr. CARLETON presented bill "an act to provide for the purchase and sale of pure unadulterated intoxicating liquors by municipal officers of cities and towns," which was read once and indefinitely postponed.

Mr. JOHNSON, from the Joint Select Committee on Apportionment, on order, reported "resolve to apportion the State for Senators to the Legislature"; also

Reported "resolve to apportion one hundred and fifty-one Representatives among the several counties, cities, towns, plantations and classes in the State of Maine."

Mr. JOHNSON, by leave, laid on the table a report from the minority of said Committee.

The foregoing resolves and minority report were ordered to be printed.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Northern Aroostook Railroad Company," was taken from the table, amended as per sheets "A," "B," "C" and "D," and pending the question of passing the same to be engrossed, the House

Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Bill "an act to amend section 54, item 2, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the branches taught in public schools," refused a passage by the House, came from the Senate, that branch insisting on its former vote passing the same to be engrossed, and proposing a Committee of Conference, with Messrs. Minot, Webster and Carvill, conferees.

The House insisted and concurred in the proposed conference, and appointed Messrs. Jones of Springfield, Whitmore of Verona, and Rawson of Bangor, conferees.

Communication from the Governor transmitting a letter from Lieut. Col. James B. Fry, formerly Provost Marshal General, de-

fending himself from certain imputations upon his administration of the affairs of that office, contained in the report of the Commissioners of Paper Credits, came from the Senate read, and was read and ordered to be printed.

Communication from the Governor, transmitting in response to an order of the House a copy of the report of the Land Agent dated June 30, 1870, was received, read, and tabled by Mr. WILSON.

"Resolve relative to the fisheries," was presented by Mr. PIKE of Calais, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. REED, from the Lincoln County Delegation, on petition of the Selectmen of Whitefield for reduction of valuation, also on petition for change of the valuation of Wiscasset, reported reference to the next Legislature.

The report was read and accepted and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend an act to authorize the inhabitants of the town of Norway to exempt certain property from taxation," was read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. COUSENS, from the York County Delegation, on petition, reported bill "an act authorizing the county of York to procure a loan."

Mr. SANBORN, from the same Delegation, reported "resolve to authorize the county of York to procure a loan."

These reports were read and accepted, bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for the consideration of the bill and resolve.

Bill "an act to authorize the extension of the Somerset Railroad to Bingham village," was taken from the table, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to establish a January term of the Supreme Judicial Court in and for the County of Lincoln," was taken from the table, and indefinitely postponed, and sent to the Senate.

The House resumed consideration of bill "an act to incorporate the Northern Aroostook Railroad Company."

The bill was further amended as per sheets "E" and "F," and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate."

Bill "an act relative to the inspection of smoked herring," was taken up; and the House ordered a reconsideration of the vote passing the bill to be engrossed.

Mr. BURGESS of Portland, moved its indefinite postponement.

Mr. PIKE of Calais, moved, and the House ordered, that the question be taken by yeas and nays.

Mr. SNOW of Winthrop, moved the previous question, and the House seconded the call, and ordered the main question to be put. The question then being on passing the same to be engrossed, it was taken by yeas and nays, and decided in the affirmative, by yeas 83, nays 43.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Andrews of Otisfield, Andrews of Palmyra, Anderson, Atwell, Bartlett, Bean, Bonney, Bradbury, Bragdon, Burnham, Carver, Chase, Clark of China, Clark of Lincoln, Clook, Cobb, Colburn, Cram, Dingley, Ellis, Fish, Fitch, Gannett, Googins, Green of Wilton, Green of Temple, Hacker, Hammond, Haskell of Garland, Hayden, Heal, Heath, Hill, Hinkley, Hobart, Hobson, Holt, Hopkins of Bluehill, Hopkins of Mt. Vernon, Jenkins, Johnson, Jones of Springfield, Keegan, Knapp, Knight, Lamb, Lane, Lord, Mahoney, Mayo, Minot, Mooers, Moore of Buckfield, Moore of Machiasport, Nutter, Osgood of Durham, Palmer, Parsons, Perkins of Poland, Pike, Reed of No. 11, Robie, Robinson, Rodick, Sanborn of Kittery, Sayward, Simpson, Snow, Snowman, Stackpole, Stickney, Storer, Talbot, Tebbets, Thompson of Trenton, Wagg, Wass, Whiting, Whitmore, Wilson, Winter, Woodbury, Wyman—83.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Berry of Damariscotta, Berry of Buxton, Bird, Bishop, Bliss, Brewer, Brown, Burgess, Chapin, Cleaves, Comins, Cousens, Crehore, Cushing, Deering, Dustin, Emery, Ervin, Getchell, Harriman, Haskell of Portland, Hastings, Hathaway, Hutchins, Jones of Norway, Martin, Osgood of Lewiston, Partridge, Rawson, Raynes, Reed of Waldoborough, Sanborn of Bangor, Sewall, Severance, Simonton, Skillin, Strickland, Taylor, Wall, Whitehouse, Weed, White of Winterport, Willard—43.

Bill "an act to increase the number of the Commissioners of Fisheries," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, amended as per sheet "A," and indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of BONNEY of Portland, the vote indefinitely postponing bill "an act relating to the throwing of sawdust and shavings into the Medomak river," was reconsidered.

The House then insisted on its former vote, passing the same to be engrossed, and proposed a Committee of Conference, with Messrs. Bliss of Washington, Willson of Thomaston, and Carleton of Whitefield, Conferees on its part.

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to amend an act to incorporate the Auburn Aqueduct Company, approved Feb. 17, 1867," was read twice, and to-morrow assigned.

Bill "an act to establish the salary of the County Attorney of Penobscot county," was taken from the table.

Amendments "A" and "B" ruled out, and the bill passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Education, on order, relating to uniformity of text-books, reporting legislation inexpedient, was taken from the table, and the House adhered to its former vote accepting the same.

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting leave to withdraw, on petition for aid to Presque Isle Academy, was taken from the table and accepted.

Bill "an act to exempt females from arrest for debt," was taken from the table.

The House receded and concurred with the Senate in its indefinite postponement.

Bill "an act to further protect certain fishing interests in the Sandy River pond, and Lufkin pond, was taken from the table, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 18, section 1 of the revised statutes, relating to repairs of highways; and

"Resolve in aid of roads in Letter E plantation in the County of Franklin," was taken from the table and indefinitely postponed.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

"Resolve for an appropriation on a road in Castle Hill plantation," indefinitely postponed by the House, was taken from the table, and the vote adhered to.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 456 of special laws of 1870, entitled an act to procure the enforcement of an act to prevent the

throwing of slabs and other refuse into Penobscot river," indefinitely postponed by the Senate, was taken from the table.

The House recessed and concurred in its indefinite postponement.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Trustees of the East Lebanon Academy," was taken up and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to increase the salary of the County Attorney for Lincoln county," was taken up and read twice, and to-morrow assigned.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. HATHAWAY of the House.

Papers from the Senate:

Final reports of the Committees on Military Affairs, and Manufactures, came from the Senate read and accepted, and were read and laid on the table.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on order, reporting bill "an act relating to the service of writs on towns and corporations," came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice and indefinitely postponed.

The report was read and accepted, bill read once, and indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on order, reporting bill "an act giving additional remedies in matters of partnership and part owners of personal estate."

Bill "an act to amend section 14 of chapter 116 of the revised statutes, relating to taxing costs."

"Resolve in favor of the Maine State Agricultural Society."

This report came from the Senate read and accepted, bills and resolve read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted, bills read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned.

"Resolve transferring to cabinets of zoölogy and mineralogy from the State House to the College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts," came from the Senate read twice, amended as per sheet "A" and passed to be engrossed.

The resolve was read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act authorizing railroad corporations to take lands for burrow and gravel pits," came back from the Senate amended as per sheet "B," and indefinitely postponed.

Amendment "A" was adopted, and the House insisted on its vote passing the same to be engrossed, and proposed a Committee of Conference, with Messrs. Wilson, Harriman and Burgess, conferees.

Bill "an act to establish a January term of the Supreme Judicial Court in Lincoln county," indefinitely postponed by the House, came back from the Senate, that branch insisting on its vote passing the same to be engrossed, and proposing a Committee of Conference, with Messrs. Smith of Lincoln, Spaulding of Sagadahoc, and Cleaves of Oxford, conferees.

The House insisted, and concurred in the proposition for a conference, and appointed Messrs. Reed, Heal and Wilson, conferees.

Remonstrances of Stillman L. Howard and others, J. G. Gott and others, John Wasson and others, and W. H. Palmer and others, against railroad consolidation, were referred to the next Legislature.

"Resolve in favor of the proprietors of the Eastern Argus," was read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. SANBORN of Bangor,

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Common Schools be directed forthwith to furnish this House with the items which make up the amount of \$500 for his current expenses of sixteen County Institutes for 1870, as appears in the report of the Committee of Finance No. 7, and also the items of his travelling and other necessary expenses incurred in the discharge of his duties for 1870.

On motion of Mr. JONES of Norway,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be directed to deliver the employees of the State at the Capitol building, each a package of stationery similar to that delivered the members of this House.

Mr. PIKE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition, reported bill "an act relative to the salary of the County Attorney of Washington county."

The report was read and accepted, bill read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. SMITH, from the York County Delegation, reported bill "an act to authorize the County of York to procure a loan."

The report was read and laid on the table.

Bill "an act relating to fencing railroads."

Bill "an act regulating meetings of cities and towns in aid of persons and corporations."

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Auburn Aqueduct Company, approved Feb. 17, 1867."

"Resolve in favor of the Bath Naval and Military Orphan Asylum."

"Resolve in favor of James B. Leslie."

"Resolve in favor of the County of Aroostook."

The foregoing bills and resolves were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, bills read the third, resolves the second time, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 71 of the revised statutes, relating to sales of real estate by license."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 78 of the revised statutes, relating to meetings of County Commissioners in Aroostook County."

"Resolve in favor of Isabella Fogg."

"Resolve in favor of the Insane Hospital."

The foregoing bills and resolves were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, bills read the third, resolves the second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve relating to certain literary institutions," was reported, read the second time, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act relating to the powers and duties of the constable of the town of Whitefield."

Bill "an act to amend section 3 of chapter 362, private laws of 1867, entitled an act additional to an act to establish the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts."

Bill "an act to increase the salary of the County Attorney for Lincoln county."

The foregoing were taken from the table and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve in favor of the Committee on Agriculture and the College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts," was taken from the table, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Claims, on petition of the Selectmen of Houlton, was taken from the table, amended in concurrence, referring the same to the Adjutant General, and accepted.

Bill "an act additional to section 54, chapter 11 of the school laws, relating to employment of teachers," was reported, read the third time, and Mr. SEWALL of Oldtown, moved to amend by substituting "an act to amend chapter 11 of the revised statutes," and that the question be taken by yeas and nays; the House so ordered, and being so taken, was adopted by yeas 81, nays 58.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Andrews of Otisfield, Andrews of Palmyra, Berry of Damariscotta, Berry of Buxton, Bishop, Blanchard, Bliss, Bradbury, Bragdon, Brown, Burnham, Carleton, Carver, Chapin, Clark of Lincoln, Cleaves, Clook, Cobb, Cousens, Crehore, Cushing, Deering, Ellis, Emery, Ervin, Fish, Fitch, Getchell, Green of Temple, Hacker, Hammond, Harriman, Haskell of Portland, Hastings, Hayden, Heath, Hill, Hinkley, Hodgdon, Hopkins of Bluehill, Hopkins of Mt. Vernon, Jenkins, Jones of Springfield, Lane, Mahony, Mayo, Moore of Machiasport, Partridge, Perkins of Poland, Pike, Rawson, Raynes, Reed of Waldoboro', Reed of No. 11, Reynolds, Robie, Sanborn of Bangor, Sayward, Sewall, Severance, Simpson, Snowman, Stackpole, Storer, Strickland, Stewart, Taber, Taylor, Tebbetts, Thompson of Trenton, Wadsworth, Wagg, Whitehouse, Weed, White of Winterport, White of Greenfield, Whitmore, Willard, Winter, Wyman—81.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Anderson, Atwell, Bartlett, Bean, Bird, Blossom, Bon-

ney, Brewer, Burgess, Buswell, Chase, Clark of China, Colburn, Comins, Cram, Dingley, Dustin, Foster, Gannett, Goggins, Green of Wilton, Haskell of Garland, Hathaway, Heal, Hobart, Hobson, Holt, Hutchins, Johnson, Jones of Norway, Keegan, Knapp, Knight, Lamb, Lord, Martin, Mooers, Norcross, Nutter, Osgeod of Lewiston, Osgood of Durham, Palmer, Patten, Potter, Robinson, Rodick, Saaborn of Kittery, Simenton, Skillin, Smith of Parsonsfield, Snow, Stickney, Thompson of Dover, Wall, Whiting, Wilson, Woodbury—58.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to authorize the town of Pittsfield to loan its credit in aid of manufactures therein," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. CRAM of Brunswick.

Ordered, That the Senate concurring, in case the Senate fail from any cause to print the report and accompanying documents of the Commissioners of Paper Credits, the Governor and Council be and are hereby authorized and directed to secure said report and all the accompanying documents, and cause 2,000 copies of the same to be printed for general distribution.

This order, which was presented by Mr. HASKELL of Portland, on February 20, was taken from table, passed, and sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Bill "an act relating to the Insane Hospital," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Insane Hospital, and was referred in concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of Sprague, Owen and Nash," was read twice, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Reports of the Committee on Apportionment, were accepted.

"Resolve to apportion the State for Senators to the Legislature."

"Resolve to apportion 151 Representatives among the several counties, cities, towns, plantations and classes, in the State of Maine."

These resolves were read once, and to-morrow, at 10 o'clock, specially assigned.

"Resolve providing for the distribution of the remaining copies of the Water Power of Maine."

Mr. HOBART, from the Committee on Finance, reported ought to pass on "resolve authorizing the Attorney General to adjust certain claims in favor of the State."

The report was read and accepted, resolves read twice, and to-morrow assigned.

"Resolve in aid of the road across Indian township in the county of Washington."

"Resolve in favor of the widow of the late Maj. Gen. Hiram G. Berry of Rockland."

"Resolve in aid of rebuilding bridge from Princeton to Indian township in the county of Washington."

The foregoing resolves were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to continue in force an act to establish schools in the Madawaska district," was read the third time, amended as per sheets "A," "B" and "C," and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve in favor of Perkins plantation in Franklin county."

"Resolve in favor of Jane A. Weeks."

"Resolve in aid of the Military road."

The foregoing were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the second time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve to aid in building a bridge over Moose river."

"Resolve making an appropriation for the purpose of building a bridge over the Molunkus stream on the Military road."

"Resolve in favor of plantation No. 11, R. 1, in aid of building a new road."

"Resolve for an appropriation on a road in Silver Ridge plantation in the county of Aroostook."

The foregoing were reported, read the second time and indefinitely postponed.

"Resolves in relation to the valuation of certain towns, plantations and townships in Aroostook county, and for abatement of taxes thereon," was read the second time and refused a passage.

"Resolve establishing the valuation of the towns of Westbrook and Deering," was taken from the table, amended as per sheets "A" and "B," and passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act authorizing the construction of a fish weir in Eastern harbor."

Bill "an act to authorize the County Commissioners of Kennebec county to appropriate money to rebuild or repair a bridge over the Sebasticook river in Clinton Gore."

Bill "an act to change the name of the Cape Elizabeth Steam Ferry Company, and increase the capital stock thereof."

Bill "an act relating to costs."

Bill "an act fixing the liability of stockholders in corporations."

Bill "an act to prevent the throwing of edgings and other refuse into the waters of the Damariscotta river in the towns of Nobleborough and Newcastle."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 48 of the revised statutes, relating to manufacturing, mining and quarrying companies."

Bill "an act to authorize Henry McGilvery to extend and maintain his wharf into tide waters in the city of Belfast."

Bill "an act to change the names of certain persons."

Bill "an act to promote immigration into this State."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Somerset Boom Company."

Bill "an act giving additional powers to the Railroad Commissioners."

Bill "an act to authorize Thomas Taylor to employ steam power to transport passengers and freight in the towns of Farmington, New Sharon, Phillips and other places."

Bill "an act relating to transfer of prisoners from one county jail to another."

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the East Oxford Agricultural Society."

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of the town of Grafton."

Bill "an act to amend sections 58 and 59 of chapter 40 of the revised statutes, relating to the taking of smelts."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Poland and Minot Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to authorize a fish weir in Cranberry Isle."

"Resolve in favor of the town of Deering."

"Resolve in favor of the town of Princeton."

"Resolve relating to the preservation of the colors in the rotunda of the Capitol."

"Resolve in favor of a system of storm warnings in the State of Maine."

"Resolve authorizing the Adjutant General to sell and dispose of the gun-house and lot of land on which the same is situated in the town of Milo."

"Resolve relating to wrongs and practices upon Indians."

"Resolve in favor of the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts."

"Resolve in favor of reducing the State valuation of the town of Buckfield."

"Resolve in favor of John H. Eveleth."

The foregoing bills having had three and the resolves two several readings and passed to be engrossed, were reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills passed to be enacted, resolves finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. DINGLEY of Auburn,

Ordered, That this House hold a session this evening, commencing at 7½ o'clock.

Adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 46, chapter 38 of the revised statutes, relating to the sale of milk," was taken from the table, and the House insisted and proposed a Committee of Conference, and appointed Messrs. Rawson, Sewall and Pike, conferees on its part.

Bill "an act to protect bridges from injury from droves of cattle," was taken from the table and refused a passage.

"Resolve fixing the number of copies of certain reports to be

printed at the expense of the State," was read the second time, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act to promote and facilitate the settlement of the public lands," was read the third time, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

"Resolve in favor of the correction of an error in the State valuation of the town of Oxford."

"Resolve in favor of the State Reform School."

"Resolve providing for warming the State House by steam."

The foregoing resolves were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act regulating railroad corporations."

Bill "an act to amend section 54, clause 3 of the school laws, in relation to the powers and duties of Superintending School Committees."

Bill "an act additional for the assessment and collection of taxes."

"Resolve in aid of the Children's Home in Bangor."

These bills and resolve were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, bills read the third, resolve the second time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Co-operative Store and Loan Company," was taken from the table and indefinitely postponed.

Bill "an act to amend section 15 of chapter 617, acts of 1868, entitled an act to incorporate the Penobscot Bay and River Railroad Company," was taken from the table, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolves relating to a Constitutional Convention," was taken up, and the House adhered to its vote indefinitely postponing the same.

Bill "an act relative to pretended savings banks," was taken from the table, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act in aid of Free High Schools," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and

pending the question of engrossing the same, the House, on motion of Mr. SEWALL of Oldtown,

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. MOOR of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate :

Ordered, That the House concurring, the annual report of the Insurance Commissioner be distributed by the State Librarian as follows: 1000 copies to Insurance Commissioner; 300 copies to library and departments; 1200 copies to the Legislature of 1871, in the same proportion to each House that documents are usually distributed.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and was read and passed in concurrence.

Bill "an act additional to section 54, chapter 11 of the school laws, relating to the employment of teachers," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, nonconcurrent in and amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate, that branch insisting on its vote, and proposing a Committee of Conference, with Messrs. Spaulding, Holland and French, conferees.

The House insisted, concurred in the proposition for a conference, and appointed Messrs. Cobb, Moore of Buckfield, and Andrews of Otisfield.

Bill "an act to amend section 3 of chapter 362, special laws of 1867, entitled an act additional to an act to establish the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate refused a passage.

The House insisted and proposed a Committee of Conference, and appointed Messrs. Atwell of Orono, Cram of Brunswick, and Carleton of Whitefield.

Bill "an act relating to fencing railroads," came back from the Senate, that branch insisting on its vote of indefinite postponement.

The House insisted and proposed a conference, and appointed Messrs. Wilson of Thomaston, Robie of Gorham, and Harriman of Belfast, conferees.

"Resolve relating to certain literary institutions," amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate, amendment "A" amended as per sheet "B," and passed to be engrossed.

The amendment was adopted and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act regulating meetings of cities and towns in aid of persons and corporations," passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded, adopted the amendment, and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve in aid of roads in Letter E plantation in the County of Franklin," indefinitely postponed by the House, came back from the Senate passed to be engrossed.

The House adhered to its vote.

Bill "an act to prevent the throwing of edgings and other refuse into the waters of the Damariscotta river in the towns of Nobleborough and Newcastle," came back from the Senate referred to the next Legislature.

The House insisted, and proposed a Committee of Conference, and appointed Messrs. Colburn of Windsor, Reed of Waldoborough, and Keegan of Madawaska, conferees.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Branch Railroad Company," passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate refused a passage.

The bill was tabled by Mr. HARRIMAN of Belfast.

On motion of Mr. WILSON of Thomaston,

Ordered, That the Governor and Council are hereby requested to take such action on the report to them of the Land Agent dated June 30, 1871, on their order of November 29, 1869, as will best

secure and protect the rights and interest of the State of Maine therein.

Bill "an act to promote immigration and facilitate the settlement of the public lands."

Bill "an act to authorize the extension of the Somerset Railroad to Bingham village and for the completion of the same to Carratunk Falls."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 143 of the revised statutes, relating to the Insane Hospital."

Bill "an act additional to an act to establish the Stillwater Canal Corporation."

Bill "an act to amend section 10 of chapter 26 of the revised statutes, relating to forms of actions."

Bill "an act relative to inspection of herring."

Bill "an act to amend an act to authorize the inhabitants of the town of Norway to exempt certain property from taxation."

"Resolve making an appropriation for the State Library."

The foregoing bills having had three, and the resolve two several readings, and passed to be engrossed, were reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills passed to be enacted, resolve finally passed, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. CRAM, from the Committee on Printing, on order, reported all proposals received by the Committee for doing the State printing for the current year.

The report was read and accepted.

Report of the Committee on Printing and Binding, reporting a contract for doing the State printing for the current year, was taken from the table and accepted, and contract approved in concurrence.

Mr. HOBART, from the Committee on Finance, reported bill "an act for the assessment of a State tax for the year 1871, amounting to \$1,125,451.36"; also

"Resolves authorizing a temporary loan."

The bill was read three times, resolves read twice, rules being suspended, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve to apportion the State for Senators to the Legislature,"

was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and read the second time.

Mr. Johnson of Augusta, moved to equalize the Senatorial Districts of Kennebec and Androscoggin, by assigning to the latter the towns of Mt. Vernon, Fayette, Readfield, Wayne, Winthrop, and Monmouth.

The question of the adoption of this amendment being taken by yeas and nays, it was rejected, by yeas 31, nays 104.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Bean, Bliss, Bragdon, Brewer, Carleton, Chase, Clark of China, Colburn, Cram, Gannett, Heath, Hobart, Hodgdon, Hopkins of Mt. Vernon, Johnson, Keegan, Lamb, Moore of Machiasport, Palmer, Patten, Pike, Potter, Robie, Snow, Stickney, Stewart, Talbot, Wall, White of Greenfield, Woodbury—31.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Andrews of Otisfield, Andrews of Palmyra, Anderson, Bartlett, Berry of Damariscotta, Berry of Buxton, Bird, Bishop, Blanchard, Bonney, Bradbury, Brown, Burgess, Burnham, Buswell, Carver, Chapin, Clark of Lincoln, Clook, Cobb, Comins, Cousens, Crehore, Cushing, Deering, Dingley, Dustin, Ellis, Emery, Ervin, Fish, Fitch, Foster, Getchell, Goodwin, Googins, Green of Wilton, Green of Temple, Hacker, Hammond, Harriman, Haskell of Garland, Haskell of Portland, Hastings, Hathaway, Hayden, Heal, Hill, Hinkley, Hopkins of Bluehill, Hutchins, Jenkins, Jones of Norway, Jones of Springfield, Knight, Lane, Lord, Mahoney, Martin, Mayo, Mooers, Moore of Buckfield, Nutter, Osgood of Lewiston, Osgood of Durham, Parsons, Partridge, Perkins of Poland, Rawson, Ray, Raynes, Reed of Waldoboro', Reed of No. 11, Robinson, Rodick, Sanborn of Kittery, Sanborn of Bangor, Sayward, Sewall, Severance, Simonton, Simpson, Skillin, Smith of Parsonsfield, Snowman, Stackpole, Storer, Strickland, Taber, Taylor, Tebbets, Thompson of Dover, Thompson of Trenton, Wadsworth, Wagg, Wass, Whitehouse, Weed, White of Winterport, Whiting, Whitmore, Wilson, Willard, Wyman—104.

The resolve was then passed to be engrossed.

"Resolve apportioning 151 Representatives among the several counties, cities, towns, plantations and classes in the State of Maine," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and read the second time.

Mr. GANNETT of Bath, moved to amend by assigning two Representatives to Bath and one to Rockland, in place of one to Bath and two to Rockland.

The question being taken by yeas and nays, the amendment was rejected, by yeas 30, nays 89.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Andrews of Palmyra, Bean, Bonney, Brewer, Chase, Clark of Lincoln, Colburn, Cram, Gannett, Hacker, Harriman, Hodgdon, Hopkins of Mt. Vernon, Johnson, Lamb, Martin, Minot, Nutter, Osgood of Durham, Palmer, Patten, Pike, Potter, Robie, Smith of Saco, Taber, Taylor, Wall, Winter, Woodbury—30.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Andrews of Otisfield, Anderson, Bartlett, Bird, Bishop, Bliss, Bragdon, Brown, Burgess, Burnham, Buswell, Carleton, Carver, Chapin, Clock, Cobb, Consens, Crehore, Cushing, Deering, Dingley, Dustin, Ellis, Emery, Ervin, Fish, Fitch, Foster, Getchell, Goodwin, Googins, Green of Temple, Hammond, Haskell of Garland, Haskell of Portland, Hastings, Hathaway, Hayden, Heath, Hill, Hinkley, Hobson, Hopkins of Bluehill, Hutchins, Jenkins, Jones of Norway, Jones of Springfield, Keegan, Mahoney, Mayo, Moore of Buckfield, Moore of Machiasport, Osgood of Lewiston, Parsons, Perkins of Poland, Rawson, Raynes, Reed of Wadoborough, Reed of No. 11, Robinson, Rodick, Sanborn of Kittery, Sanborn of Bangor, Sayward, Sewall, Severance, Simonton, Simpson, Skillin, Smith of Parsonsfield, Snow, Snowman, Storer, Strickland, Stewart, Talbot, Tebbets, Thompson of Dover, Thompson of Trenton, Wass, Whitehouse, Weed, White of Winterport, White of Greenfield, Whitmore, Wilson, Willard, Wyman—89.

The resolve was then passed to be engrossed.

"Resolve in reference to the distribution of the revised statutes," was presented by Mr. HUTCHINGS of Brewer, read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing resolves were sent to the Senate.

"Resolves in relation to the valuation of certain towns and plantations in Aroostook county, and for the abatement of taxes therein," was presented by Mr. KEEGAN of Madawaska, read twice, and laid on the table.

Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Messrs. Cobb and Andrews were excused from serving on the Committee of Conference, on bill "an act relating to the employment of teachers," and the SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Patten of Bath, and Knapp of East Livermore, instead.

Bill "an act regulating railroad corporations," passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate attended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve making an appropriation for the purpose of building a bridge over the Molunkus stream, on the Military road in the County of Aroostook," indefinitely postponed by the House, came from the Senate, and passed to be engrossed.

The House adhered.

"Resolve to aid in building a bridge over Moose river," indefinitely postponed by the House, came from the Senate, that branch insisting on its former vote passing the same to be engrossed, and proposing a Committee of Conference, with Messrs. Webber, Gray and Holland, conferees.

The House refused a conference and adhered to its former vote.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Northern Aroostook Railroad Company," amended as per sheets "A," "B," "C," "D," "E" and "F," and passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate, amendments "A," "B," "C" and "D" adopted. Amendments "E" and "F" rejected.

The House receded and rejected amendment "E" in concurrence.

Mr. PIKE moved a reconsideration of the vote rejecting amendment "E," and the House refused to reconsider, by yeas 24, nays 90.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Anderson, Berry of Buxton, Bird, Bradbury, Chase, Clook, Gannett, Goodwin, Harriman, Hobart, Hopkins of Mt. Vernon, Johnson, Moore of Buckfield, Moore of Machiasport, Nutter, Osgood of Durham, Patten, Pike, Rodick, Sayward, Snowman, Thompson of Trenton, Wadsworth, Wall—24.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Atwell, Bartlett, Bean, Bishop, Blanchard, Blossom, Bonney, Bragdon, Brewer, Brown, Burgess, Burnham, Carleton, Carver, Chapin, Clark of China, Clark of Lincoln, Colburn, Comins, Cram, Crehore, Cushing, Deering, Dustin, Emery, Fitch, Getchell, Green of Wilton, Green of Temple, Hacker, Hammond, Haskell of Garland, Haskell of Portland, Hastings, Hathaway, Hayden, Heath, Hill, Hinkley, Hobson, Hopkins of Bluehill, Hutchins, Jenkins, Jones of Norway, Jones of Springfield, Keegan, Knapp, Lamb, Lane, Lord, Mahony, Martin, Mayo, Mooers, Norcross, Osgood of Lewiston, Palmer, Parsons, Partridge, Perkins of Poland, Perkins of Farmington, Ray, Raynes, Reed of Waldoborough, Reed of No. 11, Reynolds, Robie, Robinson, Sewall, Severance, Simonton, Skillin, Smith of Parsonsfield, Stickney, Storer, Stewart, Taber, Talbot, Taylor, Tebbets, Thompson of Dover, Wagg, Wass, Whitehouse, Weed, White of Winterport, White of Greenfield, Whitmore, Willard, Woodbury, Wyman—90.

The House insisted on the adoption of amendment "F," and proposed a Committee of Conference, with Messrs. Sewall of Oldtown, Cram of Brunswick, and Bragdon of York, Conferees.

Messrs. Norcross, Blanchard, Raynes, Hopkins, Bean, Deering and Stackpole, members of the House, were excused from further attendance at this session, and the Committee on Pay Roll, directed to make up their pay to the end of the session.

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee of Conference, on bill "an act relating to fencing railroads," reported the same ought to pass as amended.

The report was read and accepted, and the bill passed to be engrossed as amended.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 11 of the revised statutes of 1871, relating to County Supervisors for Schools," was presented by Mr. SEWALL of Oldtown, read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed, by yeas 70, nays 58.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Andrews of Otisfield, Andrews of Palmyra, Berry of Buxton, Bishop, Blanchard, Bliss, Bradbury, Brown, Carleton, Carver, Clark of Lincoln, Clook, Cobb, Crehore, Cushing, Deering, Ellis, Emery, Ervin, Fish, Fitch, Getchell, Goodwin, Green

of Temple, Hammond, Haskell of Garland, Haskell of Portland, Hastings, Hayden, Heath, Hill, Hinkley, Hodgdon, Hopkins of Bluehill, Hopkins of Mt. Vernon, Jenkins, Jones of Springfield, Lane, Mahony, Martin, Moore of Machiasport, Partridge, Perkins of Poland, Perkins of Farmington, Rawson, Ray, Raynes, Reed of Waldoboro, Reed of No. 11, Sayward, Sewall, Severance, Simpson, Smith of Saquo, Snowman, Stackpole, Storer, Stewart, Taber, Taylor, Tebbets, Wagg, Whitehouse, Weed, White of Winterport, White of Greenfield, Wilson, Willard, Winter, Woodbury—70.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Anderson, Atwell, Bartlett, Bean, Bird, Blossom, Bonney, Bragdon, Brewer, Burgess, Burnham, Chase, Chapin, Clark of China, Colburn, Comins, Cram, Dingley, Dustin, Gannett, Googins, Green of Wilton, Harriman, Hathaway, Heal, Hobart, Hobson, Holt, Hutchins, Johnson, Jones of Norway, Keegan, Knight, Lamb, Lord, Mayo, Mooers, Nutter, Osgood of Lewiston, Osgood of Durham, Palmer, Parsons, Pike, Reynolds, Robie, Rodick, Sanborn of Kittery, Simonton, Skillin, Smith of Parsonsfield, Snow, Stickney, Talbot, Thompson of Dover, Thompson of Trenton, Wadsworth, Wall, Whitmore—58.

Bill "an act to authorize the town of Pittsfield to loan its credit in aid of manufactures therein," was taken from the table, and the question being on passing the same to be engrossed in concurrence, Mr. SEWALL of Oldtown, moved, and the House ordered, that it be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, was decided in the affirmative, by yeas 94, nays 29.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Andrews of Palmyra, Atwell, Bartlett, Berry of Buxton, Bean, Bird, Bishop, Blossom, Bliss, Bonney, Bragdon, Brewer, Burgess, Burnham, Buswell, Carleton, Carver, Chase, Chapin, Clark of China, Clark of Lincoln, Cobb, Colburn, Comins, Orehore, Cushing, Dustin, Emery, Ervin, Fish, Fitch, Foster, Getchell, Goodwin, Googins, Hacker, Hammond, Haskell of Garland, Haskell of Portland, Hastings, Hathaway, Hayden, Heal, Hill, Hobart, Hobson, Holt, Jenkins, Jones of Norway, Jones of Springfield, Keegan, Lamb, Lane, Mahoney, Martin, Mayo, Mooers, Moore of Buckfield, Moore of Machiasport, Nutter, Osgood of Lewiston, Palmer, Parsons, Perkins of Poland, Perkins of Farmington, Ray, Reed of No. 11, Reynolds, Robinson, Rodick,

Sanborn of Kittery, Sayward, Severance, Simonton, Skillin, Snow, Snowman, Stickney, Storer, Stewart, Taber, Taylor, Thompson of Dover, Thompson of Trenton, Wadsworth, Wall, White of Winterport, White of Greenfield, Whitmore, Willard, Winter, Woodbury, Wyman—94.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Anderson, Clook, Cram, Dingley, Green of Wilton, Green of Temple, Harriman, Heath, Hodgdon, Hopkins of Bluehill, Hopkins of Mt. Vernon, Hutchins, Johnson, Knapp, Knight, Lord, Osgood of Durham, Patten, Pike, Rawson, Reed of Waldo-borough, Robie, Sewall, Smith of Saco, Smith of Parsonsfield, Talbot, Tebbets, Whitehouse, Wilson—29.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 140 of the revised statutes, relating to the State Prison," was read the third time, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

"Resolve in favor of the State Prison," was read the second time, and passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting ought not to pass on bill "an act to repeal an act entitled an act to incorporate the Cobb Lime Company," was taken from the table.

Mr. BLISS, from the minority of the Committee, reported the same ought to pass.

Pending the question of substituting the minority for the majority report, the House, on motion of Mr. BURGESS of Portland, then adjourned till half-past 7 o'clock this evening.

EVENING SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Report of the York County Delegation, reporting bill "an act to authorize the county of York to procure a loan," was taken up and accepted, bill read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve transferring the cabinets of zoölogy and mineralogy from the State House to the College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts," was taken from the table and indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act giving additional remedy in matters of partnership and part owners of personal estates."

Bill "an act to amend section 14 of chapter 116 of the revised statutes."

Bill "an act to amend section 4 of chapter 124 of the revised statutes, relating to polygamy."

Bill "an act to secure a lien on bricks."

Bill "an act to establish the school mill fund for the support of common schools."

"Resolve in favor of the Maine State Agricultural Society."

"Resolve providing for the distribution of the remaining copies of the Water Power of Maine."

The foregoing bills and resolves were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third reading, bills read the third, resolves the second time, and indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve in aid of the erection of a chapel building for the Insane Hospital," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve authorizing the Attorney General to adjust certain claims in favor of the State."

"Resolve in favor of the town of Phillips."

"Resolve relative to the Normal School at Castine."

The foregoing were reported, read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve relating to an Industrial School for Girls," was taken from the table, and the House insisted on the adoption of amendment "A," proposed a Committee of Conference, and appointed Messrs. Burgess of Portland, Smith of Parsonsfield, and Chase of Augusta, Conferees.

Bill "an act to amend section 9, chapter 60 of the revised statutes, relating to divorce," was taken from the table, indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act authorizing the sale of copartnership property, when a partner has deceased," was taken up, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Branch Railroad Co.," was taken from the table, and referred to the next Legislature.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 16 of the revised statutes, relating to drains and common sewers," was taken from the table, amended as per sheets "A" and "B," and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

The bill as amended applied only to the cities of Portland and Bangor.

The House resumed consideration of the matter relating to the repeal of the charter of the Cobb Lime Company, pending at the hour of adjournment this P. M., the question being on substituting the minority for the majority report, it was taken by yeas and nays, on motion of Mr. REED of Waldoborough, and decided in the affirmative, by yeas 72, nays 21.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Andrews of Otisfield, Berry of Damariscotta, Bean, Bishop, Blossom, Bliss, Bradbury, Brewer, Brown, Burnham, Buswell, Carleton, Carver, Chapin, Clook, Comins, Cousens, Dustin, Fish, Fitch, Goodwin, Green of Wilton, Green of Temple, Hammond, Harriman, Haskell of Garland, Haskell of Portland, Hastings, Hathaway, Hill, Holt, Hopkins of Bluehill, Hopkins of Mt. Vernon, Jenkins, Jones of Norway, Lane, Mahony, Martin, Minot, Moore of Buckfield, Moore of Machiasport, Nutter, Osgood of Lewiston, Palmer, Parsons, Patten, Perkins of Poland, Rawson, Reed of Waldoborough, Reed of No. 11, Rodick, Sewall, Severance, Simpson, Skillin, Snowman, Stackpole, Storer, Taber, Talbot, Taylor, Thompson of Dover, Thompson of Trenton, Wagg, Wass, Whitehouse, Weed, White of Winterport, White of Greenfield, Whitmore, Winter, Wyman—72.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Anderson, Bird, Bragdon, Burgess, Chase, Clark of Lincoln, Dingley, Ellis, Foster, Hobart, Hebson, Hutchins, Jones of Springfield, Keegan, Partridge, Perkins of Farmington, Sanborn of Kittery, Simonton, Snow, Stewart, Tebbets—21.

The bill was then read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. BURGESS, from the Committee of Conference, on "resolve relating to an Industrial School for Girls," reported that amendment "A" be rejected, amendment "B" be amended as per sheet "C," and that the resolve ought to pass.

The report was read and accepted, and the resolve thus amended passed to be engrossed.

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee of Conference, on bill "an act authorizing railroad corporations to take lands for burrow and gravel pits," reported the Committee could not agree, and that another Committee be appointed.

The report was read and accepted, and the SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Robie, Sewall and Bird, conferees.

Mr. REED, from the Committee of Conference, on bill "an act to establish a January term of the Supreme Judicial Court in and for the county of Lincoln," reported that the House adhere to its former vote passing the same to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted.

"Resolve relating to the inmates of the Reform School," was read twice, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate, under suspension of the rules.

"Resolves in relation to the valuation of certain towns and plantations in Aroostook county, and for the abatement of taxes therein," were taken from the table, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to authorize the city of Hallowell to aid in the construction of a steam saw-mill in said city," came from the Senate amended as per sheets "A" and "B," and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded and adopted the amendments, and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to authorize the town of Jay to loan its credit in aid of manufactures therein and for the benefit of the people of this State," came from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The bill was read three times, rules being suspended, and pending the passage of the same to be engrossed, the hour of 12, midnight, having arrived, the House

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

No chaplain present.

Reading of the Journal dispensed with.

Papers from the Senate :

Bill "an act relating to the powers and duties of the constable of the town of Whitefield," came back from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

Messrs. Storer, Fitch, Gannett, Willard, Hastings, Sayward, Holt, Perkins of Poland, Ervin, Mahony, Clark, Foster and Brown, were excused from further attendance this session, and the Committee on Pay Roll directed to make up their pay to the end of the session.

Bill "an act to amend section 9 of chapter 60 of the revised statutes, relating to divorce."

Bill "an act to amend section 4 of chapter 124 of the revised statutes, relating to polygamy."

Bill "an act to protect bridges from injury by droves of cattle."

The foregoing bills having been indefinitely postponed by the House, came from the Senate, that branch insisting on its former vote passing the same to be engrossed.

The House adhered.

"Resolve in aid of the road leading from Monson to Greenville, in the County of Piscataquis," came from the Senate passed to be engrossed.

The resolve was amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act additional for the assessment and collection of taxes," engrossed by the House, came from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

The House adhered to its former vote.

Bill "an act to establish State uniformity of text-books," came from the Senate referred to the next Legislature, and was referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee of Conference, on bill "an act to incorporate a fire department in West Waterville," reporting, the House receded and concurred with the Senate in passing the same to be engrossed, came from the Senate read and accepted.

The report was read and rejected, and the House adhered to its vote passing the same to be engrossed, amended as per sheet "A."

Bill "an act to amend section 14 of chapter 116 of the revised statutes," came from the Senate, that branch insisting on its vote passing the same to be engrossed, and proposing a Committee of Conference.

The House adhered to its vote of indefinite postponement.

"Resolve in favor of the Land Agent, to reimburse him certain moneys paid out in behalf of the Swedish colony," came from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed, and was read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve fixing the number of copies of certain reports to be printed at the expense of the State," came back from the Senate, House amendment "A" rejected, amended as per sheet "B," and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded, adopted Senate amendment "B," and passed the resolve to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend section 47, chapter 140 of the revised statutes, relating to the State Prison," came from the Senate read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The bill was read three times, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence, under suspension of the rules.

Report of the Committee on Insane Hospital, reporting ought to pass in new draft, on bill "an act relating to the Insane Hospital," came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, and the bill amended as per sheet "A," and postponed indefinitely, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to authorize the formation of railroad corporations," passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate refused a passage.

The House adhered to its vote.

Report of the Committee of Conference on bill "an act relating to the employment of teachers," reporting that the same be amended as per sheet "B," and as amended ought to pass, came from the Senate read and accepted.

The report was read and accepted, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be directed to cause to be forwarded to the Selectmen of the several towns in the State, copies of bill "an act additional to section 54, chapter 11 of the school laws, relating to the employment of teachers," immediately upon the approval of the same by the Governor.

This order was passed in concurrence.

"Resolve establishing the valuation of the towns of Westbrook and Deering," came back from the Senate, House amendments "A" and "B" rejected, amended as per sheet "C" and passed to be engrossed.

The House adhered to its vote passing the same to be engrossed amended as per sheets "A" and "B."

Mr. REED, from the Committee of Conference, on bill "an act to prevent the throwing of waste and other refuse into the waters of Damariscotta river in the towns of Nobleboro' and Newcastle," reported the House recede and concur in referring the same to the next Legislature.

The report was read and accepted, and the bill referred in concurrence.

Bill "an act to authorize the town of Jay to loan its credit in aid of manufactures therein," was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed in concurrence, by yeas 54, nays 48.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Andrews of Palmyra, Atwell, Bartlett, Bishop, Brown, Buswell, Carleton, Carver, Chapin, Clark of Lincoln, Colburn, Crehere, Dustin, Ellis, Fish, Goodwin, Hammond, Haskell of Garland, Haskell of Portland, Hathaway, Heal, Hinkley, Hobson, Holt,

Jenkins, Jones of Norway, Jones of Springfield, Keegan, Knapp, Lamb, Martin, Moore of Buckfield, Moore of Machiasport, Osgood of Lewiston, Osgood of Durham, Palmer, Perkins of Poland, Ray, Reed of No. 11, Robinson, Rodick, Severance, Snowman, Stickney, Storer, Stewart, Taber, Thompson of Dover, Thompson of Trenton, Wall, White of Greenfield, Winter, Woodbury, Wyman—54.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Andrews of Otisfield, Anderson, Berry of Damariscotta, Berry of Buxton, Bradbury, Bragdon, Burgess, Burnham, Clook, Cousens, Cram, Gannett, Googins, Green of Wilton, Green of Temple, Hacker, Hayden, Heath, Hodgdon, Hopkins of Bluehill, Hopkins of Mt. Vernon, Hutchins, Johnson, Knight, Lord, Mayo, Minot, Parsons, Partridge, Patten, Pike, Rawson, Reed of Waldo-borough, Reynolds, Robie, Sewall, Simonton, Skillin, Smith of Saco, Smith of Parsonsfield, Snow, Talbot, Tebbets, Wadsworth, Weed, White of Winterport, Whitmore, Wilson—48.

Mr. ROBIE, from the Committee of Conference, on bill "an act authorizing railroad corporations to take lands for burrow and gravel pits," reported the same ought to pass to be engrossed as amended by the Committee. (The amendment providing that the act shall apply to the Knox and Lincoln Railroad only.)

The report was read and accepted, and the bill passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to repeal chapter 11 of the revised statutes of 1871, relating to County Supervisors of Schools," passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

The House adhered to its vote.

Bill "an act concerning specie payments," came from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed, and was read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve in reference to the distribution of the revised statutes," came from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded, and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. STICKNEY of Presque Isle,

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Public Buildings be di-

rected to have framed in a suitable manner and placed in the Library for preservation, a map now hanging in Room No. 6, in the south end of the Capitol, of the British and French Dominion in North America, with the roads, distances, limits and extent of settlement, dated February, 1775.

Bill "an act relating to the Insane Hospital," amended and indefinitely postponed by the House, came back from the Senate, that branch insisting on its vote passing the same to be engrossed.

The House receded and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education, on the petition of the Trustees of Limerick Academy for aid, reporting leave to withdraw, was taken from the table and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve in favor of the proprietors of the Portland Press," came from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed, and was read twice and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to extend the time for the Lime Rock Bank to accept the provisions of an act to renew the charters of certain banks, approved January 28, 1871," was read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 338 of the private laws of 1870, relating to the throwing of sawdust and shavings into the Medomak river."

Bill "an act to repeal section 54 of chapter 40 of the revised statutes of 1871, relating to the taking of porgies or menhaden."

Bill "an act relative to the salary of the County Attorney for the County of Washington."

Bill "an act relating to pretended savings banks."

Bill "an act authorizing any railroad company to locate and construct branches in the towns through which it passes."

Bill "an act to amend section 54, clause 3 of the school laws, in relation to the powers and duties of Superintending School Committees."

Bill "an act to increase the salary of the County Attorney of Lincoln county."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 38, section 46 of the revised statutes, relating to the sale of milk."

Bill "an act to repeal an act entitled an act to incorporate the Cobb Lime Company."

Bill "an act to further protect certain fishing interests in Lufkin pond."

Bill "an act relative to fencing railroads."

Bill "an act regulating railroad corporations."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 78 of the revised statutes, relating to meetings of County Commissioners in Aroostook county."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 71 of the revised statutes, relating to sales of real estate by license."

Bill "an act to amend section 15 of chapter 617, acts of 1868, entitled an act to incorporate the Penobscot Bay and River Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Auburn Aqueduct Company, approved February, 1871."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Trustees of the East Lebanon Academy."

Bill "an act to establish the salary of the County Attorney of Penobscot county."

Bill "an act to authorize the town of Pittsfield to loan its credit in aid of manufactures therein."

Bill "an act regulating meetings of cities and towns in aid of persons and corporations."

"Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture."

"Resolve in favor of Jane A. Weeks."

"Resolve in aid of the Military road."

"Resolve in favor of the correction of an error in State valuation of town of Oxford."

"Resolve in favor of Mrs. Isabella Fogg."

"Resolve authorizing a temporary loan."

"Resolve in aid of the road across Indian Township in the County of Washington."

"Resolve in favor of warming the State House by steam."

"Resolve in favor of the Insane Hospital."

"Resolve in favor of the proprietors of the Eastern Argus."

"Resolve in favor of Sprague, Owen and Nash."

"Resolve in favor of the widow of the late Major Gen. Hiram G. Berry."

"Resolve in favor of Perkins plantation in Franklin county."

"Resolve in favor of James B. Leslie."

"Resolve in favor of the County of Aroostook."

"Resolve in favor of the Bath Naval Military Orphan Asylum."

"Resolve in favor of rebuilding bridge from Princeton to Indian Township in the County of Washington."

"Resolve relative to certain literary institutions."

The foregoing bills having had three, and the resolves two several readings, and passed to be engrossed, were reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills passed to be enacted, resolves finally passed signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais, the House vote to adjourn till 7½ o'clock this evening.

EVENING SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

"Resolve on the Pay Roll of the House," was read twice, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve on the Pay Roll of the Senate," came from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed, and was read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. HOBART, from the Committee on Finance, reported bill "an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government."

The report was read and accepted, bill read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve in favor of the Secretary of the Senate," came from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed; the resolve was read twice, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Communication from the State Superintendent of Common Schools, transmitting a statement of items of institutes and traveling expenditures for the year 1870, was received, read and referred to the Governor and Council, with the request to audit and pay the same, as by law provided for the year 1870.

Messrs. Simonton, Woodbury, Bishop, Whitehouse and Chapin, were excused from further attendance.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Northern Aroostook Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to continue in force an act to establish schools in the Madawaska District."

"Resolve on the Pay Roll of the Senate."

"Resolve authorizing the Attorney General to adjust certain claims in favor of the State."

"Resolve in aid of the Children's Home of Bangor."

"Resolve on the Pay Roll of the House."

"Resolve in favor of the Land Agent to reimburse him certain moneys paid out in behalf of the Swedish Colony."

"Resolve relating to an Industrial School for Girls."

"Resolve in favor of the town of Phillips."

"Resolve fixing the number of copies of certain reports to be printed at the expense of the State."

"Resolve in aid of the erection of a chapel building for the Insane Hospital."

"Resolve in favor of the Normal School at Castine."

"Resolve to apportion the State for Senators."

"Resolve relating to the inmates of the Reform School."

Bill "an act to authorize the County of York to procure a loan."

Bill "an act amending chapter 140 of the revised statutes, relating to the State Prison."

Bill "an act authorizing the town of Jay to loan its credit to manufactures therein, and for the benefit of the people of this State."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 16 of the revised statutes, relating to drains and common sewers in the cities of Portland and Bangor."

Bill "an act to authorize the city of Hallowell to aid in the construction of a steam saw-mill in said city."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 140 of the revised statutes, relating to the State Prison."

Bill "an act authorizing the sale of copartnership property, when a partner has deceased."

Bill "an act concerning specie payments."

Bill "an act relating to the powers and duties of the constable of the town of Whitefield."

Bill "an act authorising the Knox and Lincoln Railroad Company to take lands for burrow and gravel pits."

Bill "an act relating to the Insane Hospital."

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to extend the time for the Lime Rock Bank to accept the provisions of an act to renew the charters of certain banks, approved January 28, 1871."

The foregoing bills having had three and the resolves two several readings and passed to be engrossed, were reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills passed to be enacted, resolves finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. ROBIE of Gorham,

Ordered, That when the House adjourns it be to meet at 8 o'clock Monday morning.

The hour of 12 midnight having arrived,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

No chaplain present.

The reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

Bill "an act additional for the assessment and collection of taxes," was read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act additional to section 54 of the school laws, relating to employment of teachers."

Bill "an act for the assessment of the State tax for the year 1871, amounting to \$1,124,451.36."

Bill "an act to provide in part for the expenditures of the government."

Bill "an act additional for the assessment and collection of taxes."

"Resolve in favor of the proprietors of the Portland Press."

"Resolve in favor of the State Prison."

"Resolve in relation to the valuation of certain towns and plantations in Aroostook county, and for the abatement of taxes therein."

"Resolve in reference to the distribution of the revised statutes."

"Resolve in favor of the Secretary of the Senate."

"Resolve in favor of the State Prison."

"Resolve to apportion 151 Representatives among the several counties, cities, towns, plantations, and classes in the State of Maine."

The foregoing bills having had three and the resolves two several readings, and passed to be engrossed, were reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills passed to be enacted, resolve finally passed signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. MOORE of Buckfield, was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate, informing that branch that the House had disposed of all business before it, and is now ready to adjourn without day.

A message was received from the Senate through Mr. HINKS of Hancock, informing the House that the Senate had disposed of all business before it, and is now ready to adjourn *sine die*.

Ordered, That a Committee of three, with such as the House may join, be appointed to wait on the Governor and inform him that both branches of the Legislature having acted on all matters before them, are ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and Messrs. Vose of Waldo, Nickels of Penobscot, and Carvill of Cumberland, appointed said Committee on its part.

The order was read and passed in concurrence, and Messrs. Hobart of Dennyville, Martin of Rumford, Reed of Waldoboro', Bragdon of York, Bird of Rockland, Chase of Augusta, and Whitehouse of St. George, appointed on the part of the House.

Subsequently, Mr. HOBART reported that the Committee had discharged the duty, and the Governor was pleased to say that he would communicate forthwith through the Secretary of State.

A message was thereupon received from the Governor, through the Secretary of State, transmitting a list of the acts and resolves signed by him, numbering 265 acts and 89 resolves, and that he had no further communication to make.

Mr. WILSON of Thomaston, then addressed the House as follows:

I arise to say but a word before I introduce a resolve which I hold in my hand. We are now about to close this session, and there is pain and pleasure mingled together in the scene. The session, in my judgment, has been an unusually harmonious one, and productive, I think, of unusual good. I would say simply to you, Mr. Speaker, that I return my sincere thanks to you for the kindness that you have at all times extended to me. I would also return my thanks to each and every member of the House for the kindness that each of you have extended to me, and I would say to you Mr. Speaker, and to each member of the House, that you now, and always hereafter will have my best wishes for your happiness and welfare. May you have a safe return home to your families and to your friends. Thus ends another scene in life.

He then said:

Mr. CLERK:—I ask leave to lay upon your table the following resolve, and request that the question of its adoption be taken by rising:

Resolved, That the members of this House tender to Hon. Edwin B. Smith, their sincere thanks for the integrity, ability and thorough impartiality with which he has discharged the duties of Speaker.

Mr. ROBIE of Gorham, seconded the question of the adoption of the resolve, and said:

Mr. CLERK:—I most cordially second the remarks of our distinguished, warm hearted friend from Thomaston.

The time that has transpired since the first day of this session, when we placed in the chair the honorable gentleman who has so satisfactorily filled it, has been a period of continuous and arduous labor. Our Speaker struck the key note for a short session, and the House has truly and wisely responded to the call. In consequence of the multiplicity of important and often times embarrassing questions, which necessarily have occupied the undivided attention of the Legislature, but little time has been spent in

cultivating those social qualities and amenities of a personal character which take a deeper hold of the feelings. Still, friendships deep and abiding have sprung up among us never to be forgotten. In virtue of the tramp of time and the onward marching of events, the morning of the last day of the session is before us, and before the setting sun will cast its shadows upon the Capitol and its surroundings we shall have turned our backs upon these familiar walls, pregnant with reminiscences never to be forgotten. Good-bye is a hard word to speak; its painful effects, however, are but momentary, if brightened by retrospective considerations of mutual friendships and good will. Thus we leave each other for our homes, and carry along with us the kindest feelings towards our Speaker, for his faithful and impartial services—kind feelings towards each other, and I feel that we can all unite in feelings of devotion for the national interests and prosperity of our noble State. Long may you all live and prosper is the prayer of your humble colleague and friend.

Mr. STICKNEY of Presque Isle said :

Mr. CLERK :—I rise probably for the last time in this hall, with mingled emotions of pleasure and pain, to say my parting words. With pleasure, because I hope soon to meet my constituents, my friends, my family, my loved ones at home. With pain, because the friendly greetings, the pleasant interviews, the interchange of kindly courtesies with the officers and members of this House will soon be over.

There is a deep significance and a continual reminder of the truth of the often repeated aphorism, "the places which now know us will soon know us no more forever." These halls and corridors which for a few short weeks have echoed to the tread of our footsteps, resounded with the sound of our voices, been made cheerful with our smiles and pleasant words, will soon be silent, and when next these seats shall be occupied, other footsteps, other voices, and other smiles will make pleasant and enjoyable this Capitol.

It is ever so with the ever moving panorama of human life. An eloquent writer has beautifully said, that this world is but an inn, which is being constantly entered and evacuated by troops of succeeding travellers. It is well that it is so. I would not live always, is not only the feeling of the christian heart, but of the true mind which regards the here and hereafter as they certainly

are. The wise and the good with equal sincerity can say, I would not always be a member of the Legislature. And why? If for no other reason, because it is well that others should occupy these seats, that this hall be vocal with other voices, and resound with the utterance of other thoughts than ours. We are not in any exclusive sense the people, nor will wisdom die with us; other men as honest, as intelligent, as patriotic, as wise, as faithful to the interests of the people and the State as we can possibly be, will come after us, in whose keeping all will be safe. If we have been conscientiously faithful in the performance of the duties we owe to our constituents and common country, to the vast interests which have been entrusted to our care, we can now retire to our homes and friends,

“ Without a fear,
Without a trouble or a tear,
And mingle with the (politically) dead.”

But, Mr. Clerk, there is a thought which oppresses the warm heart, the heart susceptible of tender emotion, the heart which loves and enjoys friends and friendships, and that is, our liability to be forgotten. “Forget me not” is not only the language of ardent affections in the young, but of all true hearts, old and young, when the loved and the good are passing away, the last pulsation of the heart of the dying, breathes in the ear of devoted affection, “*Forget me not.*” And we raise the monumental marble over the spot where reposes the jewels of our hearts, and strew the couch with flowers that the loved one may *not be forgotten*. The regrets at parting are to me enhanced by the thought, that in the hurry, bustle and strife of life, the friendships which have been formed here, the pleasant interviews in this hall, and the mutual interest in each other’s welfare which we have learned to cherish, will pass from our recollection and will finally be but a small portion of the pleasant memories of the past; that even this has its compensation in the fact that of the thousands who have preceded us in the occupancy of these seats, although the names even of the most of them are unknown to us, yet we see all over our widely extended State evidences of their wisdom, fidelity to duty, broad and expanded views of public policy, and profound devotion to the interests of the State. Our schools, our institutions for the reformation of the guilty, and the training of youth in the way they should go, our charitable institutions, our hundreds of pros-

perous industries, our beautiful cities and lovely towns, our fertile farms and happy homes, our noble sons and daughters who will ere long be pillars of glory in church and State, are monuments of the greatness and wisdom of hundreds of our predecessors on this floor whose very names are unknown to us.

And although our memories of each other may dim, and in the lapse of years become extinct, and from the memory of the world will pass, our very names be forgotten, yet if our duties here have been done as wisely, and as well as were the fathers', we shall not fail of our reward.

In closing I wish to express my thanks to the officers and members of this House, for the uniform kindness which has been accorded to me by all.

If my impetuous nature, which those who know me best know all about, has betrayed me in the heat of debate, or on any other occasion, to any discourteous word, I hope to be pardoned. No other than the kindest feeling lingers in my bosom towards every member of this House, and the sunniest memories of the future will be of my associates upon this floor.

May the Being who watches over all, go with us to our homes, and at last take us to himself in a world where the poorest and humblest will not be forgotten.

Mr. BLISS of Washington, said :

Mr. CLERK :—I most cordially and heartily concur in the true sentiments contained in the resolve introduced by the learned and distinguished gentleman from Thomaston (Mr. Wilson).

For fifty-four days the members of this House have been closely and intimately associated with each other in active and trying deliberation. If feelings of passion have in any instance been engendered, now that we are to separate—perhaps forever—it is but fitting to consider that we are the representatives of the people, to whom we are responsible, and if we all have not looked alike upon questions which have arisen, we have endeavored to discharge our duty in such a manner that when meet we may do so as friends and brothers.

To all the officers of this House I tender my heartfelt thanks for their marked kindness and attention to me. And to the youthful Page, who was suddenly called home by the death of his lov-

ing mother, I thus publicly present many affectionate thanks. May Heaven watch over and bless you all. Farewell!

Mr. CARLETON of Whitefield, said :

Mr. CLERK :—I arise with heartfelt emotions to say that our beloved Speaker, in the dignified, able, faithful and impartial discharge of the duties devolving on him as presiding officer of this House, has meritoriously gained for himself a reputation adorned with dignity, fidelity, integrity and justice to all, far surpassing any of his predecessors in the last decade, and thereby has rendered his name dear to us, the representatives of the people, and given to the State a conservative republican example of true glory.

Mr. Speaker, considering that all of earth is transitory and fading away as the flower of the field fadeth, we can have no abiding or steadfast hope that we in life may all see you again; but we have an assurance that if we, Speaker and members, acting well our part here, and in future life, so as to receive the welcome message, when we have done with earth, "well done thou good and faithful servants, enter into thy rest," shall all meet again in the world to come. Farewell.

Mr. KEEGAN of Madawaska, said :

Mr. CLERK :—If the youngest member of this House may add a word to what has been already said by those of greater experience, I would say that I most sincerely and cordially coincide with the remarks already made. But I have something to add as an individual representing a constituency which, while a part of this great State, differs in so many respects from other sections. I would say to the members of this House that I thank them for the favor and kindness with which they have treated the representative of that poor constituency away in the extreme northern portion of the State. To part with the members of this House will be a matter of regret to me, for it is not possible that we can ever *all* meet again, but let them rest assured that I at least shall never forget the kindness with which I, and my people through me have been treated. To the Speaker of this House, and to the officers, I must also return thanks for the courtesy and kindness with which all my efforts for the advancement of the interests of

my people and of the State in general have been received. Gentlemen, I bid you all farewell.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

The SPEAKER then said :

GENTLEMEN :—The fiftieth session of this House now draws to its close, and in a moment more the last official act, declaring its dissolution, will be performed. Its record is made up and becomes part of the legislative history of the State. By it we, as legislators, are to be judged by those whom we serve. There is little cause for us to shrink from rigid scrutiny and honest criticism or to deprecate impartial judgment. That we have entirely escaped error is beyond hope ; but that our mistakes have been few in number, comparatively unimportant in their character and effect, and altogether unintentional in their commission, we may feel reasonably well assured. So far as they consist of a failure to embody into our code wholesome and needed provisions, the swiftly-revolving wheels of Time will soon bring hither our successors in these seats to apply the remedy, and they are therefore less to be feared and regretted than are those evils which flow from hasty, unwise, ill-considered legislation. It is better and wiser to err on the side of legislating too little than too much.

The results that appear upon the statute-book hardly give any conception of the labors exacted of us ; these are the conclusions of much laborious investigation and patient inquiry—the residuum of multitudinous applications for our intervention and action. We deserve the approbation of our constituents as much for what we have refused to do as for what we have done. As Burns says :

“ What's done we partly can compute,
But nothing what's resisted.”

The Journal of this House, while indicating this as the shortest winter session of the Legislature for a period of over twenty-five years, will attest that our labors have been no less in amount than that which is ordinarily demanded of our legislatures ; that they have been so speedily and satisfactorily disposed of is to be attributed to the zeal and willingness with which members of both branches have applied themselves to their performance.

This early adjournment has been reached by harmonious action of the members here, and of the different branches of the government in the discharge of their respective duties.

Without the constant exercise of kindness, courtesy and forbearance, which I have experienced at your hands, it would have been impossible for one so little fitted by nature and training for the position as I am, to have presided over your deliberations. The manner in which my earnest efforts faithfully and impartially to discharge the novel duties required of me have been received and sustained by the House, inspires a deeper feeling of gratitude and obligation than did the partiality which designated me for this place—a feeling which extends itself to each and every member of this House.

If in any instance the Speaker has appeared not to reciprocate the uniformly kind courtesy with which he has been treated, he hopes it will (as it should) be attributed to inadvertence and not to intention; and that he will be deemed guilty of nothing worse than thoughtlessness.

I return my thanks for the kind expressions toward me, and of my conduct which gentlemen have been good enough to make, and regret that they are not better deserved; and am mortified that I can find no more fitting language in which to express my acknowledgments. That words fail me upon this occasion is because I feel your kindness too much rather than too little. May you all have a safe return to the communities and homes from which you have been gathered, and always be able to look with satisfaction at the practical results of your labors here upon the interests and prosperity of the State.

Mr. HASKELL of Portland, introduced the following resolve, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of the members are hereby tendered to S. J. Chadbourne, Clerk, and Z. A. Smith, Assistant Clerk, for the faithful and impartial manner in which they have performed their various and onerous duties.

Mr. Haskell then said:

Mr. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN:—At the close of this short but laborious legislative session, by the courtesy of the House, I have the honor of representing the minority, and the pleasure of presenting this resolution, not simply as the usual and expected formality, but as truly expressing the sincere feelings of the members of the House, for the uniform courtesy and kindness extended

us in your official capacity. With a larger number of new members than perhaps ever assembled in this House, your duties have been greatly increased, but your courtesy and counsels not lessened, and to them more especially this resolution will meet with a cordial response, and to all a ready and sincere approval.

Mr. WHITE of Greenfield, presented the following resolve, which was unanimously adopted :

Resolved, That the thanks of this House are due to J. B. Walker, Messenger, David Lombard, 1st Assistant Messenger, L. B. Kimball, 2d Assistant Messenger, B. Harry Hawes, Page, and Frank A. Small, Reporter, for the faithful performance of their several duties during the present session.

On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, the House of Representatives adjourned without day.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

TITLES OF ACTS

PASSED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF 1871.

PUBLIC LAWS.

An act to authorize railroad companies to fix the number of directors.

empowering towns, cities and village corporations to make by-laws and ordinances in certain cases.

authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen.

to repeal an act entitled "an act to revise and consolidate the public laws of the state."

to amend an act entitled "an act to revise and consolidate the public laws of the state," approved January twenty-five, eighteen hundred and seventy-one.

additional to chapter forty-three of the revised statutes of eighteen hundred and seventy-one, relating to true meridian lines.

additional to an act entitled "an act to enable the banks of this state to become banking associations under the laws of the United States," approved February twenty-four, eighteen hundred and sixty-five.

to amend section twenty-nine of chapter eighty-one of the revised statutes, relating to attachment of personal property.

fixing the time when acts of incorporation shall become null and void.

concerning the liability of railroads for defective crossings.

additional to and amendatory of chapter forty-eight of the revised statutes in regard to the formation of corporations.

additional to section twenty-five of chapter eighteen of the revised statutes, in relation to petitions for increase of damages by reason of the laying out, altering or widening of town ways.

An act to amend section forty-seven of chapter twenty-seven of the revised statutes, concerning recognizances in appeals from magistrates.

concerning bills in equity.

to repeal sections forty-eight to fifty-three, inclusive, of chapter forty-seven of the revised statutes, relating to bank returns.

to amend section one hundred and sixteen of chapter six of the revised statutes, relating to the collection of taxes.

in relation to the times of holding sessions of the county commissioners of the county of Penobscot.

relating to instruction in industrial or mechanical drawing. defining the notice on petitions for assessment of damages for lands taken by railroad corporations.

additional to chapter forty of the revised statutes of eighteen hundred and seventy-one relating to river fisheries.

amendatory of chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes, relating to railroads.

amendatory of chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes, relating to the issue of bonds by railroad corporations.

to amend chapter forty of the revised statutes of one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, relating to fish and fisheries.

to amend sections fifty-eight and fifty-nine of chapter forty of the revised statutes, relating to the taking of smelts.

to promote immigration into this state.

to amend chapter forty-eight of the revised statutes, relating to manufacturing, mining and quarrying companies.

relating to transfer of prisoners from one county jail to another.

giving additional powers to the railroad commissioners.

fixing the liability of stockholders in corporations.

relating to costs.

to amend section ten of chapter twenty-six of the revised statutes, relating to form of actions.

additional to chapter one hundred and forty-three of the revised statutes, relating to the insane hospital.

relative to the inspection of herring.

An act to promote immigration and facilitate the settlement of the public lands.

to repeal section fifty-four of chapter forty of the revised statutes of eighteen hundred and seventy-one, relating to the taking of porgies or menhaden.

additional to chapter seventy-one of the revised statutes, relating to sales of real estate by license.

to amend chapter seventy-eight of the revised statutes, relating to meetings of county commissioners in Aroostook county.

to increase the salary of the county attorney for Lincoln county.

to amend section fifty-four, clause three, of the school laws, in relation to the powers and duties of superintending school committees.

regulating meetings of cities and towns in aid of persons and corporations.

to amend section forty-six of chapter thirty-eight of the revised statutes, relating to the sale of milk.

relating to fencing railroads.

authorizing any railroad company to locate and construct branches in the towns through which it passes.

to establish the salary of the county attorney for Penobscot county.

relative to salary of county attorney for county of Washington.

relative to pretended savings banks.

regulating railroad corporations.

additional to chapter one hundred and forty of the revised statutes, relating to the state prison.

authorizing the sale of copartnership property when a partner has deceased.

to amend section forty-seven, chapter one hundred and forty of the revised statutes, relating to the state prison.

concerning specie payments.

relating to the insane hospital.

additional to section fifty-four of chapter eleven of the school laws, relating to employment of teachers.

additional for the assessment and collection of taxes.

PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS.

- An act to authorize certain cities and towns to aid in the construction and equipment of the Knox and Lincoln Railroad.
authorizing P. S. J. Talbot and Company to maintain a wharf in tide waters in East Machias.
to incorporate the Kennebec and Chelsea Ice Company.
to authorize the Lincoln Ice Company of Richmond, to increase their capital stock and to legalize the wharf built by said company into the tide waters of Kennebec river.
to incorporate the Cobb Lime Company.
to make valid the doings of Josiah True, as a justice of the peace.
to make valid the acts and doings of the town of Denmark.
to incorporate the Boothbay Ice Company.
to increase the stock of the Laconia Company.
to change the name of the town of Dickeyville.
to set off John Walker and his estate from the South Paris Village Corporation.
to incorporate the Peak's Island Steamboat Company.
granting further time to the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company to complete their road.
additional to an act to incorporate the Calais Railroad Company, and the several acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof.
to incorporate the Passadumkeag Railroad Company.
to confirm the doings of the Maine Missionary Society, and to incorporate said society.
to authorize Zenas F. Yates, Joseph S. Woodbury and their associates to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Muscongus harbor.
to extend the time for the Lime Rock Bank to accept the provisions of "an act to renew the charters of certain bank," approved March seventeen, eighteen hundred and seventy.
to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Cobb Lime Company."
to incorporate the Old Orchard Railroad Company.
to incorporate the Kennebec and Moosehead Ice Company.

- An act to authorize William H. Danforth to erect and maintain a wharf in tide water in Bristol.
- to make valid the transfer of the Bangor, Oldtown and Milford Railroad, to the European and North American Railway Company.
- to incorporate the Little River Dyking Company.
- to make valid the doings of the inhabitants of the plantation of Castle Hill, in the county of Aroostook.
- to incorporate the Maine Medical Eclectic Infirmary.
- to authorize John E. and Hiram Colewell to construct a fish weir in tide waters, in front of their land in Pigeon Hill bay, in the town of Steuben.
- authorizing the county commissioners of the county of Oxford to reassess certain taxes.
- to authorize Joshua M. Leighton to construct a fish weir in the tide waters in front of his own land on Clarks island, in the town of Millbridge.
- to authorize J. B. Swanton and William Godfrey to construct a fish weir in tide waters at the lower side of Stover's cove, in the town of Millbridge.
- to incorporate the Penobscot and Lake Megantic Railroad Company.
- to incorporate the Knox Masonic Temple Company.
- to authorize the Eastport Hotel Company to hire money, and secure the payment of the same by a mortgage on the company's property.
- to authorize the treasurer of the county of Cumberland to pay the judge and register of probate for said county certain sums of money.
- to incorporate and prescribe the duties and powers of the Penobscot County Poultry Society.
- to incorporate the Richmond Savings Bank.
- to continue the powers of the president, directors and company of the Alfred Bank.
- to authorize the inhabitants of the town of Bristol to change the location of the northerly end of the bridge leading on to Rutherford's island, over tide waters in said town.
- to change the name of the Portland Tenement House Company, and to grant further powers to the same.

An act to incorporate the Bar Harbor and Mt. Desert Telegraph Company.

to amend an act entitled "an act to extend the charter of the Rockland Fire and Marine Insurance Company."

to incorporate the Phillips Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

to incorporate the Eastern Marble Company.

to authorize the selectmen of the town of Wells to locate and build a way across Webhannet river in said town.

to authorize the inhabitants of the town of Norway to exempt certain property from taxation.

authorizing M. E. Pierce and Company to extend and maintain their wharf.

to authorize A. L. Frohock and others to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Penobscot bay, in the town of Lincolnville.

to authorize the Wesleyan Methodist Society of Augusta to borrow money.

to authorize R. A. and W. A. Friend to extend their wharf into the tide waters of Center Harbor.

to incorporate St. Mark's Home for Poor and Indigent Women, in the city of Augusta.

extending the time within which the Pushaw Dam Company may complete works, as per charter granted by legislature of eighteen hundred and sixty-eight.

to incorporate the Squirrel Island Association.

to reduce the valuation of the town of Veazie, and add the amount of such reduction to the valuation of the city of Bangor.

to incorporate the West Branch Dam and Improvement Company.

to incorporate the Madagascal Dam Company.

to incorporate the Bucksport Young Men's Mutual Life Insurance Company.

authorizing A. P. Atherton to construct a fish weir at Moose island, in Tremont.

authorizing Ezra D. Reed and George Reed to construct a fish weir at Moose island, in Tremont.

additional to the acts establishing the Portland and Rochester Railroad Company.

- An act to incorporate the Katahdin Dam Company.
to incorporate the Cobbossee Ice Company.
to legalize the doings of the proprietors of the Free Baptist meeting-house of the town of Gray.
authorizing I. F. McClench, Abbie E. McClench and Sally McClench, and their associates, to extend a wharf at Sheppard's point, Hallowell, into the tide waters of the Kennebec river.
to authorize Charles B. Sanford and Hugh Ross to extend their wharf into Penobscot river.
authorizing Eliza Morton or her heirs to construct a fish weir in Johnson bay, Lubec.
to make valid the doings of John T. Robinson as a notary public.
authorizing Isaac West to build and maintain a weir in tide waters of Pigeon Hill bay.
to incorporate the United Trustees of the Free and Accepted Masons at Bath.
to extend the limits of the Bangor Boom Company.
to incorporate the Bucksport Village Corporation.
additional to "an act to incorporate the International Telegraph Company."
to authorize the construction of a wharf in the town of York.
to legalize the doings of the town of Madawaska, in voting money for school purposes.
to incorporate the Kennebunk Savings Bank.
to change the name of the York County Five Cents Savings Institution.
to incorporate the Pembroke Savings Bank.
to incorporate the Penobscot Pond Stream Dam Company.
to incorporate the Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Good Templars of Maine.
authorizing Zina H. Hodgdon to extend and maintain his wharf in Boothbay.
to change the corporate name of the Second Universalist Society of the city of Portland.
authorizing Ephraim K. Smart to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Camden harbor.

An act to amend "an act to incorporate the Camden Village Corporation," approved February fourteen, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven.

to incorporate the Piscataquis Reservoir Dam Company.

to authorize Hatcil Delano to extend a wharf into tide waters at Verona.

to enlarge the powers of constables in the town of Eastport. additional to the charter of the National Insurance Company of Bangor.

authorizing D. N. Bray to build and maintain a weir in the tide waters of Herrick's bay in Brooklin.

to amend "an act to authorize Charles E. Dole to build a wharf in Brewer," approved February seventeen, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine.

additional to the charter of the Eastern Insurance Company of Bangor.

authorizing Henry A. DeWitt and J. Manchester Haynes to extend and maintain their wharf in Richmond.

to authorize the Leeds and Farmington Railroad Company to issue its bonds to stockholders.

to authorize the town of Cape Elizabeth to lay out, construct and maintain a highway into the tide waters of Portland harbor.

in relation to the Literary Fraternity and the Philomathean Society.

surrendering the charter of the Maine State Seminary.

to incorporate the Buxton and Bonny Eagle Branch Railroad Company.

authorizing C. Wasgatt of Swan Island to extend his fish weir into the tide waters of Old Harbor.

to incorporate the Piscataqua Marine Railway Company.

to amend the charter of the city of Auburn.

to make valid the doings of the town of Prentiss.

to incorporate the Carroll Trotting Park Association.

additional to and amendatory of an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad Company."

to amend "an act to incorporate the Merchants' Warehouse Company," approved March ten, one thousand eight hundred and seventy.

An act to authorize E. K. Harding and others to build and maintain a wharf in Small Point harbor.

in relation to collection of taxes in the town of Brownfield.
additional to "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Log Driving Company."

to incorporate the Fairfield Savings Bank.

to provide in part for the expenditures of government.

to amend chapter two hundred and four of the special laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, entitled "an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Augusta."

to extend the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad.

to amend the four hundred and eighth chapter of the private laws of eighteen hundred and seventy.

to set off certain territory from Baldwin and annex the same to Sebago.

to authorize the Somerset and Kennebec Railroad Company to connect its railroad with the Maine Central Railroad in the town of Waterville.

to incorporate the Fort Point Hotel Company.

additional to "an act to incorporate the Sebec Railroad Company."

additional to the charter of the Portland and Rochester Railroad Company, authorizing the extension of its road in Portland.

to incorporate the Northeast Pond Dam Company.

giving to the inhabitants of that part of Frankfort annexed to Monroe by act of eighteen hundred and sixty-three, chapter two hundred and twenty-six, their portion of the money paid by the State to Frankfort, under act of eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, chapter two hundred and twenty-five.

to incorporate the town of Deering.

to incorporate the Alfred and South Berwick Railroad Company.

for the extension of the Boston and Maine Railroad.

to incorporate the Vassalborough Woollen Mills.

to incorporate the Ellsworth Boom Company.

to make valid the doings of district number nine in the town of Burnham.

An act to incorporate the Kennebec Ice Company.

to amend "an act to incorporate the Rockland and Thomaston Gas Light Company."

to establish a municipal court in the city of Lewiston.

to incorporate the North Penobscot Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

to incorporate the Eureka Slate Company in the town of Monson.

to incorporate the Cumberland County Savings Bank.

to authorize the construction of a fish weir in Pleasant river.

to set off a part of a small island from Alton and annex the same to the town of Oldtown.

authorizing John Locke, George W. Locke and Charles R. Locke, to maintain a dam and sluice across the Ballard brook in the town of Fryeburg.

to incorporate the Cumberland Air-Power Company.

to amend "an act to incorporate the Auburn Aqueduct Company."

to authorize the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad Company to construct wharves and piers into tide water in Belfast, and to amend the charter of said company, and for other purposes.

to amend "an act to incorporate the St. John Agricultural Society."

to amend chapter three hundred and forty-eight of the private laws of eighteen hundred and seventy, conferring certain powers on the city of Portland.

giving the consent of the legislature of Maine to the purchase by the United States of land within this state for public purposes.

for the relinquishment to the United States in certain cases of title to lands for sites of light stations on the coast and waters of the state.

to incorporate the town of Eustis.

to incorporate the Portland Rossini Club.

to amend the charter of Wiscasset Bridge Company, approved June thirty, eighteen hundred forty-six.

to incorporate the Segeunkedunk Water Power and Manufacturing Company.

An act to amend "an act to authorize a further extension of the Androscoggin Railroad," approved February fourth, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven.

to amend chapter five hundred thirty-eight of the special laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, entitled "an act to authorize Abernethy Grover and others to improve Sunday river."

to authorize Nathan F. Houston to build a wharf into tide water in Belfast.

to change the name of plantation number two, range two, west of the Kennebec river, to Highland.

to incorporate the Cherryfield Savings Bank.

to incorporate the Cooper Brook Dam Company.

to prevent the destruction of fish in Penamaquon river, in the town of Pembroke.

to authorize the Franklin Wharf Company of Portland, to extend its wharf.

to authorize the city of Belfast to purchase the first mortgage bonds of the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad Company, and for other purposes.

to incorporate the Mechanics' Savings Bank.

to incorporate the Parker's Bay Ice Company.

to incorporate the Oldtown Water-Power and Manufacturing Company.

to incorporate the Lewiston School for Medical Instruction.

to incorporate the Phillips Savings Bank.

to incorporate the Medway Railway Company.

to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Warren Manufacturing Company."

authorizing Darius Wellington to construct and maintain a fish weir in Haycock harbor.

to prevent obstructions in Union river.

to incorporate the Pemaquid Ice Company.

to amend chapter two hundred and thirty, special laws of eighteen hundred fifty-four, entitled "an act to prevent obstructions in the Narraguagus river."

to authorize Edward L. Whittier and others to extend their wharf into tide water in Belfast.

to incorporate the Trustees of the Bangor Masonic Fraternity.

An act to enable the city of Bangor to aid the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company in the extended construction of its railroad.

to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse material into the river St. Croix and its tributaries.

amendatory of "an act to incorporate the Phillips Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

authorizing the city of Bangor to aid the Bangor Mercantile Association.

additional to "an act to provide for more free navigation of Penobscot river."

to incorporate the East Branch Dam and Improvement Company.

to incorporate the Calais Tug Boat Company.

to incorporate the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society.

to incorporate the Orono Horticultural Society.

to incorporate the York Brick Company.

to incorporate the Saco Water Supply Company.

to make valid the doings of the town of Burlington.

to incorporate the Warren Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

to make valid the acts and proceedings of the town of Kingsbury.

to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Damariscotta Water-Power Company."

to incorporate the Somerset Boom Company.

to legalize the doings of the town of Grafton.

to authorize a fish weir in Cranberry Isles.

to authorize Henry McGilvery to extend and maintain his wharf into tide waters in the city of Belfast.

to authorize the construction of a fish weir in Eastern harbor.

to change the name of the Cape Elizabeth Steam Ferry Company and increase the capital stock thereof.

to authorize the county commissioners of Kennebec county to appropriate money to rebuild or repair a bridge over the Sebastook river, in Clinton Gore.

to incorporate the Poland and Minot Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

An act to amend "an act to incorporate the East Oxford Agricultural Society."

to authorize Thomas Taylor to employ and use steam power to transport passengers and freight in the towns of Farmington, New Sharon, Phillips and other places.

to change the names of certain persons.

additional to "an act to establish the Stillwater Canal Corporation."

to authorize the extension of the Somerset Railroad to Bingham village, and for the completion of the same to Carratunk falls.

to amend "an act to authorize the inhabitants of the town of Norway to exempt certain property from taxation."

to amend chapter three hundred thirty-eight of the private laws of eighteen hundred and seventy, relating to the throwing of sawdust and shavings into the Medomak river.

to further protect certain fishing interests in Lufkin pond.

to incorporate the Trustees of the East Lebanon Academy.

to amend an act entitled "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Auburn Aqueduct Company," approved February seventeen, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one.

to authorize the town of Pittsfield to loan its credit in aid of manufactures therein.

to amend section fifteen of chapter six hundred and seventeen, acts of one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, entitled "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Bay and River Railroad Company."

to incorporate the Northern Aroostook Railroad Company.

to continue in force "an act establishing schools in the Madawaska district."

to authorize the county of York to procure a loan.

to authorize the city of Hallowell to aid in the construction of a steam saw mill in said city.

relating to the powers and duties of the constable of the town of Whitefield.

to authorize the town of Jay to loan its credit in aid of manufactures therein, and "for the benefit of the people of this state."

An act relating to drains and common sewers in the cities of Portland and Bangor.

to amend an act entitled "an act to extend the time for the Lime Rock Bank to accept the provisions of an act to renew the charter of certain banks," approved January twenty-eight, eighteen hundred and seventy-one.

for the assessment of a state tax for the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, amounting to eleven hundred twenty-five thousand four hundred fifty-one dollars and thirty-six cents.

to provide in part for the expenditures of government.

to repeal an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Cobb Lime Company."

TITLES OF RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF 1871.

Resolve relating to the commission to investigate all matters in relation to credits allowed on the quotas of towns by the state and general government for men not actually put into the service.

in favor of Charles E. Avery.

in favor of John Gaubriel.

in favor of Newel Neptune.

providing for furnishing the Maine State Year Book and Annual Register for the use of the legislature and several departments.

to authorize the county of Penobscot to procure a loan.

in relation to the completion of the publication of the revised statutes.

in favor of Abigail Davis.

in favor of the joint standing committee on the state prison.

making appropriations for the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians.

in favor of Joshua Chamberlain.

authorizing the land agent to locate certificate number thirty-one, issued under resolves of the legislature, approved March twenty, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight.

in favor of the town of Fort Kent.

in favor of the inhabitants of Riley plantation, in the county of Oxford.

in favor of the inhabitants of number five, range one, in the county of Oxford.

making appropriations for the Penobscot tribe of Indians.

in favor of John S. Arnold and Warren S. Dwinell.

- Resolve** for the effectual destruction of bonds and coupons of the State of Maine after the same shall have been registered.
in favor of the town of New Portland.
in favor of the joint standing committee on state reform school.
in favor of Zepheniah B. Starbird and others.
authorizing the land agent to sell lot number one hundred and twenty-nine, in township number five, range three, in the county of Aroostook.
authorizing the land agent to sell lot number one hundred forty-three, in the plantation of Castle Hill, Aroostook county.
in favor of Lewis Scott and John Bishop.
in favor of Salmon Jones.
laying a tax on the several counties in the state.
in favor of Joseph A. Chambers.
changing the valuation of towns and plantations in Washington county.
authorizing the attorney general to institute certain legal proceedings.
in favor of the heirs of the late Captain Lewey.
relating to the military stores at Portland.
in favor of Prentiss M. Fogler.
in relation to lands in the towns of Madawaska and Frenchville, and the plantations of St. John, St. Francis and Wallagrass.
in favor of David Dudley.
in aid of a road through township letter F, Aroostook county.
amending the state valuation and abating state tax on township number six, range five, Aroostook county.
providing for the payment of the expenses of the committee of military affairs.
in favor of D. R. Stockwell and George S. Chalmers.
directing the superintendent of common schools to ascertain what school moneys may be due the state.
in favor of Parker P. Burleigh.
Resolves in favor of the inhabitants of Riley plantation, in the county of Oxford.

Resolves in relation to the binding of the acts and resolves of this state.

in favor of a system of storm warnings in the State of Maine.

Resolve relative to wrongs practiced upon Indians.

in favor of reducing the state valuation of the town of Buckfield.

in favor of the town of Princeton.

in favor of the state college of agriculture and the mechanic arts.

in favor of John H. Eveleth.

authorizing the adjutant general to sell and dispose of the gun house and lot of land on which the same is situated, in the town of Milo.

in favor of the town of Deering.

making an appropriation for the state library.

relating to the preservation of the colors in the rotunda of the capitol.

in favor of the insane hospital.

in favor of Mrs. Isabella Fogg.

in aid of rebuilding the bridge from Princeton to Indian township, in the county of Washington.

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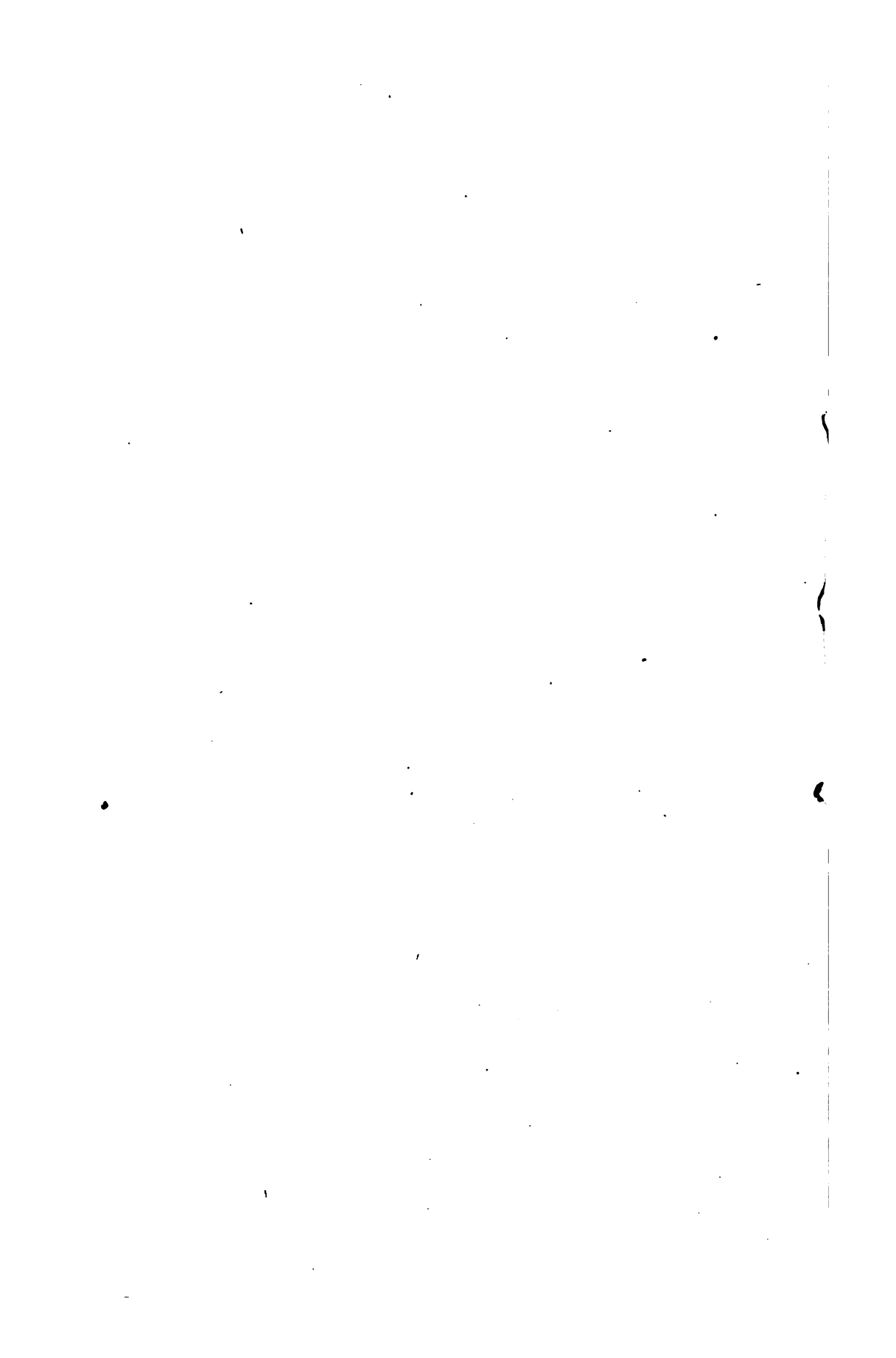
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